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Newsline

City contributes to lawsuit

EL CERRITO — The city of El Cerrito will contribute \$1,525 to the cost of a suit brought against state Superintendent of Schools Bill Honig. The suit, brought by Capistrano Unified School District, et al., concerns alleged discrepancies in disbursement of funds related to average daily attendance figures. City Clerk Linda Hiddings said the City Council previously authorized \$5,000 for the fund, stipulating that the funds be held until litigation plans were more firm. In a letter dated Feb. 5, Thomas K. Butt of Interactive Resource Inc., who has been a leading organizer in parent litigation on behalf of the Richmond Unified School District, asked for a \$1,525 disbursement of El Cerrito's contribution to add RUSD parents to the Capistrano litigation.

City Councilmember Jane Bartke, who voted in favor of the disbursement of funds, said the goal is for Richmond to join with a number of districts which are claiming they have been underfunded by the state in comparison with other California districts.

Specifically, she said, the claim is that certain districts are not receiving equal treatment in the distribution of state ADA (Average Daily Attendance) per student funds.

"Thomas Butt has been pushing our district to fund" said Bartke. "But the district has no money."

Bartke said that she voted in favor of the contribution because the school issue is tied into the welfare of the city. "Houses are not selling because of the RUSD situation," she said. "That's a real problem for El Cerrito."

She added that "many other cities have promised funding" but said she did not know what cities have moved forward with the contributions. (The \$1,525 figure, she explained, was all that was requested of the \$5,000 at this time.)

By making the contribution, Bartke said, "The city is saying we've got to have decent schools."

The vote for the contribution was not unanimous, however, with Bartke, La Force and Kosel voting for, and Jellison against.

—Dawn Frasier

Maintenance plans revealed

At its Feb. 18 meeting, the City Council held a study session to examine El Cerrito's Five-Year Street Maintenance Plan, presented by City Engineer Todd Teachout.

At the meeting, Teachout's department received budgetary authorization for \$662,000 for the remainder of this fiscal year, he said, adding that the entire budgeted amount for the five-year plan is \$2,155,000.

This is the first year of the plan's operation; most work each year will take place in the spring, after major rains have passed.

For the first year, a schedule of streets has been established. The city council has been given general budgetary plans for the remaining four years but specific plans will be made on an annual basis, Teachout explained.

Twenty-one streets are on the 1991-92 schedule, he said, with three streets scheduled to be completely rebuilt: Fairmount (from Colusa to Richmond Street), Porto (from San Pablo Avenue to the west city limits), and Humboldt.

Seventeen streets around the city are scheduled to receive slurry seals, whose main purpose is to seal minor cracks and provide a more aesthetic coating which will, for example, provide a uniform color where marraschino as utility cuts have occurred.

One street — Barrett Avenue — was scheduled for partial reconstruction. Teachout said, however, that a preliminary engineering study will be conducted to see if a work suffice. If that change results in surplus money, Teachout said his department would present an alternative use to the council for the funds.

The work will be contracted out, he added, though additions, such as re-striping and other pavement work on the restored streets, will be done in-house by crews.

—Dawn Frasier

Portola information night

On Wednesday, March 4 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Portola Middle School is having an information night for future students and their parents or guardians.

Meet the administrators, visit the classrooms, review course work, find out more about the college readiness, journalism, music science, and drama programs as the other activities. The Portola School Band will entertain.

scholarships available

The Contra Costa chapter of Japanese American Citizens League now has applications available for JACL Scholarships for students planning to enroll in institutions of higher education in the 1992-93 academic year. JACL members, their children, or any American of Japanese ancestry may apply for a JACL Scholarship or award. Preference may be given to those with JACL affiliation. Student membership is available.

Completed applications for freshman scholarships are due on March 1, 1992. For an application call Mar-Takimoto at 642-0622 or 237-6183 (evenings).



A giant black walnut tree has been an El Cerrito landmark for years

Reprise for aged walnut

Neighbors, tree owners work on settling dispute

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito City Council, by unanimous consensus, chose not to issue an emergency ordinance to protect the famed Black Walnut tree of 427 Albermarle, since the owner voluntarily offered to postpone plans to chop it down and to negotiate the tree's future with concerned neighbors.

The owners and designated agents of the neighborhood will meet with a mediating agency, the California Community Dispute Services, to attempt to resolve the controversial situation, in which neighbors wish the tree to be saved, and to report back to the

council within 120 days. Owners Philip and Martha Neib have promised not to cut the tree down before that time.

Philip Neib addressed the council last Saturday morning by reading a letter he had submitted. In his letter, he listed reasons for removing the tree, most having to do with the problems it creates, from daily clean-up of leaves and stems for six months to the menace posed for two side houses by falling limbs.

But neighbors wish the tree, which is as old as El Cerrito itself, to remain. Part of the discussion Saturday included mention of a \$2,000 anonymous donation made to care for the tree, as well as

offers by several neighbors to donate \$100 plus volunteer time in maintenance.

"It was an amiable atmosphere," said arborist Steve Batchelder. "Everyone there seemed to have an interest in keeping the tree."

Specifics were also discussed, such as the possibility of wiring over drains which might become clogged with leaves and the necessity of pruning with "many small cuts, rather than a few large ones," which Batchelder said was far better with a tree of this size.

In the meantime, the city attorney has been asked by the council to draft a permanent Heritage Tree ordinance such as other communities have in place.

Police tackle computer viruses

By Dawn Frasier

If you're a computer owner worried about the worldwide "Michelangelo" computer virus due to strike March 6, the El Cerrito Police Department can help, says Detective Bill Guggemos.

The department's new public safety bulletin board computer system, which a number of residents have already joined, has the software available to fight the virus, he explained.

According to Guggemos, the computer virus infects both floppy and hard drive disks on DOS-based PCs. It can affect operating and network systems. One possible, though not conclusive, evi-

dence of the virus is a reduction in a free/total memory by 2,048 bytes, he noted.

The impact, said Guggemos, is that the virus triggers on any March 6, not just March 6, 1992. "On that date, the virus overwrites critical system data, including boot and file allocation table records," he said.

On the boot disk, whether floppy or hard drive, the override will infect it and make it unusable, he added.

The software company Guggemos uses for the police department's bulletin board system "upgrades its software all the time as viruses are located."

The "shareware" program cur-

rently available is a detection/disinfectant program that will both locate the virus and clean the computer, he said. It should be used before March 6.

Though membership in the bulletin board system is free, anyone who uses the shareware program is obliged to the Santa Clara company that originated the program, Guggemos said. The virus scan costs \$25 per copy; the cleanup program is \$35 per copy. The user can get the program from the police department; the program gives the address of the company to which payment for the shareware should be remitted. Guggemos

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Shoreline group favors Brodsky for City Council

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — After grilling four council candidates on the past, present and future of the city's waterfront, the Citizens for the Albany Shoreline last Thursday endorsed CAS co-chair Mike Brodsky for City Council in the April 14 municipal election.

CAS, a citizen group formed two years ago to stem excessive development on the waterfront and to promote parks and open space in the city, spearheaded a successful 1990 initiative putting "material changes" in waterfront zoning into the hands of the voters and the fear of God into city officials.

The endorsement, though no surprise to outsiders, came after a close vote on whether "picking one of the bunch," as one member said, "would compromise CAS' integrity in the community." Following a discussion of the environmental purity of the other candidates, the group decided they would "lose no credibility by supporting one of our own" and unanimously endorsed Brodsky.

"We'll have the ear of at least one council member," said CAS member Tony Caine.

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Kids reminded think of safety

By Dawn Frasier

ALBANY — Another possible kidnapping attempt was reported in Albany since the Feb. 19 incident involving a 15-year-old girl.

Two Albany girls told police that as they were walking toward Albany Middle School, a Hispanic male adult suspect approached them in a Volkswagen and attempted to solicit or entice them into his vehicle. When the victims ran from him, the man left the area.

In the forcible kidnapping attempt reported on Feb. 19, a white male subject attempted to kidnap a 15-year-old girl as she walked from El Cerrito Plaza shopping center to Albany High School. In that incident, which occurred at about 8:15 a.m., the victim was grabbed and thrown into the back of a black full-sized older model van with a sliding side door. The victim fought back and was able to escape and flee on foot.

Detective Mike McQuiston, who is in charge of investigating the case, said that posters with the man's face and description have been distributed all over town and that the department has received numerous calls from citizens, especially those who

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Tougher to cut Albany's trees

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — The City Council last week adopted two of three proposed amendments to the city's Street Tree Removal and Maintenance Policy endorsed by Director of Public Works Ron Lefler and the Park and Recreation Commission.

The three-year-old policy sets up criteria for removal of street trees specifying that the trees are the property of the general public, and the city's goal is to "preserve, protect and maintain and expand the inventory" of street trees.

The council rejected a proposed amendment to allow removal of healthy trees merely because they are no longer on the Approved Street Tree list.

"Albany looks like a plucked chicken when it comes to trees," according to Councilmember Bill Cain who said he sees no reason to "turn on the chain saws" until the disapproved species become "problem trees."

The council approved removal of trees "causing substantial damage" to gas and water service and trees stirring up health-destroying allergies.

Before an offending tree will be cut down, a resident must produce proof from a medical doctor specializing in allergies verifying his adverse reaction to a specific tree and must prove he "cannot be desensitized by normal treatment."

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Not quite simultaneously, Treadway, rain return

AH, THE BAY AREA, where windshield wipers can get more wear and tear in three days than they have in three years. All of you who ran out to buy new wipers when your heat-cracked set failed during the recent rain can likely wait and watch the new pair rot away before the next rain arrives.

MONEY CHANGES EVERYTHING: We didn't get to watch any of the Olympics other than the surreal opening ceremonies that were the epitome of French.

As detached listeners, what most caught out attention was hearing the teams from what's left of the USSR, the former "Evil Empire," referred to as the "Unified" team. A corporate-sounding name if there ever was one.

Ranks up there with NYNEX, Unisys, Unilever and other ugly corporate names that have come into vogue in this country. They could take after Xerox and call it "Team Unified." (How about Sovisys, Sovilever, or some other Madison Avenue-sounding name without meaning? For that matter, whatever happened to Catellus? Are they still around or is their corporate moniker available for the Russians to use?)

ONLY HUMAN, HOW ABOUT YOU: Sure, all of you think journalism is a glamorous racket where we get to meet the mayors of El Cerrito and Albany and other celebrities and make allegedly witty observations in columns such as this. If only it were so.

The fact is, when you make an honest error you have to keep a smile on your face when someone jumps on you with a letter such as the following:

Dear Editor:

In your January 30, 1992 issue one of your incompetent writers stated, on page 13, that "Lon Cheney" was starring in the "Hunchback of Notre Dame." This is true, however, the actor's name was misspelled. It is not spelled "Chene" with an "e", but rather "Chaney" with an "a." This is, as you can imagine, an insult to fans of his films. You wouldn't want your name spelled wrong, would you? You wouldn't like that, would you? Tell your writer to research before he/she writes an article.

Also, the article stated that Lon Chaney (notice the "a") wears 40 pounds of rubber. This may or may not be true. I read a book that said he wore 30 pounds, another book mentioned he wore 40 pounds. I don't know who's right, but you probably aren't.

I bet your writer hasn't even seen a silent film.

Un-respectfully yours,

Julius Henry,

(You would want to know my address, wouldn't you?)

DEAR MR. HENRY: No we wouldn't. Goodness, what can we say? With such venom over a simple typo, it's understandable you would worry if we knew your address. You needn't be concerned. We have many far more important things to tend to, and besides, we're not vengeful.

It was an honest mistake and no disrespect to this



By Chris Treadway

great actor — or readers' sensibilities — was intended.

On to more important things, Mr. Henry. Your insights on silent or early film and film actors of the past are welcome in *The Journal* — in this column, if nowhere else.

One of *The Journal's* regular contributors is a devotee of 78 rpm records.

How about it Mr. Henry? Perhaps, instead of seizing the opportunity to chastise a spelling error, you could contribute something to the common good. We will gladly turn our twice-monthly column space over to him whenever he wishes to share his knowledge of the cinema world with a well-written (and correctly spelled) piece.

Ball's in your court, Mr. Henry. We eagerly await your response. You know our address.

P.S.: You'd be surprised how many pieces of mail arrive at our office each day with the editor or writer's name spelled wrong, this from publicists and others of that type who should know better. Some how we manage to take it all in stride.

SPEAKING OF PUBLICISTS, some have managed to keep their jobs as the Great Recession grows, turning out press releases pegged to an economy headed downward. This one crossed our desk just after the holidays.

"*Making Money From Foreclosures* is the topic of new book," it's headlined.

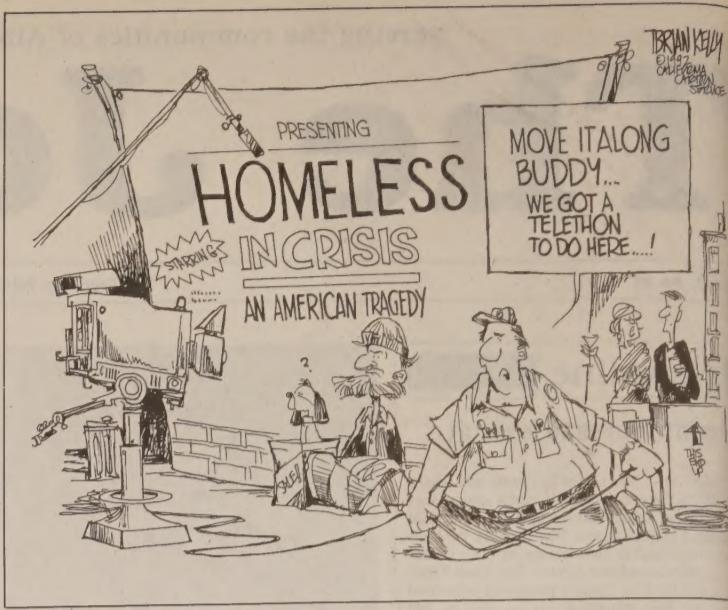
This cheery piece starts out "As the economy bottoms out, more property owners than ever are finding themselves financial quicksand. This is leading to a record number of real estate defaults. Now is a superb time for the average to find great deals on residential property."

"This book reveals reveals no less than a dozen sources of cash from which the small investor can seek the cash needed to for investment. It also details a program to compound your net worth by using the same investment cash over and over." But no program for avoiding the investment pitfalls of the '80s that created all the foreclosures.

ANOTHER RELEASE noted that children's requests this past Christmas season, unlike recent years reflected the ailing economy.

Rather than greeting Santa with long lists of desired gifts, claimed the release from Western Temporary Services, "Children's lists included requests for everything from jobs for their parents to wishes for the world in general."

We doubt whether many of the kids who've had long-term unemployed parents ever got to talk to Santa in the first place.



Police Reports

Store employees lose purses to busy thieves

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — Two Asian food markets were victimized by purse thieves on Feb. 14. At about 5 p.m. in a market in the 10300 block of San Pablo Avenue, several suspects distracted an employee while another took a purse from a rear storage room. At about 5:40 p.m., several blocks away, three suspects distracted the clerk while a fourth took a purse and cash bag from behind the counter. No vehicle was seen in either case.

• Another purse was taken from a shopping cart at the Lucky store in El Cerrito Plaza. The incident occurred on the afternoon of Feb. 15.

• Someone entered the Unocal gas station on San Pablo Avenue through a 12-inch opening in the window and stole four boxes of cigarettes from the storeroom.

• During the afternoon of Feb. 10, El Cerrito officers assisted the Richmond PD in establishing a perimeter control while Richmond officers conducted a search for a felony warrant suspect. The Richmond police eventually arrested a juvenile suspect.

• A woman reported being sexually assaulted in her garage on Feb. 10 by a "street person acquaintance."

• In acts of vandalism, someone smashed the windows of a vehicle parked at Cutting Boulevard and San Pablo Avenue at about 12:40 p.m. on Feb. 10. The

vandals used a tire iron.

Someone broke the rear window of a vehicle parked in the 700 block of Colusa Avenue during the night of Feb. 14.

Someone broke the window of the Cerrito City Club between Feb. 11 and Feb. 12, with an unknown object.

• In petty thefts from vehicles, someone took one tire from a Plymouth sedan parked in the 11300 block of San Pablo Avenue during the night of Feb. 14. In the early morning hours of Feb. 17, a rear license plate was stolen from a vehicle in the 2000 block of Junction Avenue.

During the afternoon of Feb. 18, someone took four hubcaps from a car parked in a lot at San Pablo Avenue and Cutting Boulevard.

• Two vehicles were reported stolen, a 1980 Mazda on Feb. 15 from the San Pablo Avenue and Cutting Boulevard, and a 1977 Toyota Celica from the 6100 block of Potrero.

• Two male suspects engaged El Cerrito officers in a pursuit through residential streets while operating an unreported stolen vehicle. The suspects escaped; the vehicle was recovered. The incident occurred on Feb. 17 at about 3:45 p.m.

• Autos were burglarized in the 1800 block of Arlington Boulevard (taken: a stereo, suits and camera, valued at \$1,850), the 6000 block of Carlson Boulevard (taken: stereo and equipment), and

the 1100 block of King Court (taken: a telephone). A fourth burglary was attempted in the 700 block of Everett Street. Nothing was stolen, but damage to the hicle's door was estimated at \$300.

A San Pablo man was arrested for grand theft after he took a guitar from a car parked in the 8400 block of Wildcat Drive as residents were packing the vehicle for a trip. The guitar, valued at \$600, was recovered. The incident occurred at about 3:15 p.m. Feb. 21.

• One residential burglary reported. A home in the 600 block of Norwell Street was entered during the morning of Feb. 14 and ransacked. The thief (or thieves) used an umbrella to break a room window and made off with cash and jewelry.

• An Albany resident reported receiving a call from someone who claimed to be an ATT representative selling "secure systems." The resident called ATT to confirm and the company said it was placing no such calls.

• There were two arrests driving with no license, three driving with a suspended license and two for driving under the influence. There were ten reports filed for property damage in collisions.

• Shoplifters were arrested at Pestime Hardware, the Emporium and Payless (two arrests).

Two armed men hold up World Savings Bank

By Dawn Frasier

ALBANY — World Savings Bank was robbed at 9:54 a.m. last Saturday, Feb. 22. Two Hispanic male adult suspects entered the bank through the rear entrance, then demanded that all the employees enter the vault. The suspects told one employee to open the tellers' locker and turn over the cash from the till before fleeing.

• A resident of the 1000 block of Ordway Avenue reported Feb. 22 that someone had taken a Univega 21-speed bike from his front porch.

• A man reported being the pedestrian victim of a hit-and-run at Marin and San Pablo Avenue at about 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 21.

• A 1990 Honda Civic previously stolen from a Washington Avenue resident was recovered by the Hayward PD. It was stripped and not driveable, but not burned. No one is in custody for the theft.

• Vandals were observed using marking pens on the side of the Citibank building on the evening of Feb. 20 but departed by vehicle before officers arrived.

• Someone put a projectile through the exterior wall of an office trailer at Z Rental Properties on Feb. 20, leaving debris in the bathroom.

• The Golden Poppy Florist was vandalized by someone who smashed the front entry door with an unknown object during the night of Feb. 22. Nothing was stolen from the store.

• Drivers stopped for vehicle violations included: an Oakland resident stopped on San Pablo Avenue and found to have no license and drug paraphernalia in his car, an El Cerrito resident with an outstanding \$1,762 warrant

from the UCPD, a Richmond resident with a \$20,000 bail was released from the Contra Costa County Sheriff's office, and a Vallejo resident with an Oakland PD warrant for \$142. All four were arrested.

Also arrested was a man whose vehicle fit the description of a possible shoplift suspect at the Little Barn. There was no bottle found in the car. However, the man found to have no license and arrested.

• A Richmond juvenile was arrested when two juveniles observed looking into cars in the 600 block of Talbot. Both stopped, but one boy was arrested after he gave false identification to the officer.

• An Oakland vehicle towed from the north lot of Golden Gate Fields when it was found to have 18 outstanding parking tickets.

• Someone entered the side of a vehicle parked in the Pierce Street (unknown address) on the evening of Feb. 22, taking miscellaneous items from the car. An El Cerrito resident parked in a lot in the 1500 block of San Pablo Avenue on the evening of Feb. 22 reported that someone had used a badminton racket to smash the passenger window of his car and reach in to steal a removable stereo.

• An El Cerrito resident while his car was parked in Albany, someone had stepped on the bumper, then walked across the roof and hood of the car, causing damage to the vehicle.

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Temporary emergency head OK'd

Coordinator will report to city administrator instead of fire chief

By Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Continuing to haggle over the merits of a neighborhood emergency preparedness program, the City Council last week grudgingly coughed up \$9,000 for a temporary part-time coordinator of the effort of Albany Local Earthquake Ready Teams (ALERT), formed two years ago under the aegis of Fire Chief Mike Koepke.

ALERT has so far organized 41 neighborhoods and trained 70 leaders throughout the city in emergency readiness for major disasters.

"It is likely the community will

perceive the need for ongoing city effort in this area," City Administrator John Nachbar reported to the council, which approved his recommendation to "provide this service with existing personnel" over the longterm.

When one is hired, the assistant fire chief will take over the duties of the interim coordinator and report directly to the city administrator.

In a flap over the purpose of the program, Councilmember Bill Cain said, "This doesn't say what the (temporary coordinator) will do. The goals need to be stated up front."

"We already know what the goals are," Mayor Thelma Rubin

retorted. "The city's Multihazard Plan is already in place. We need to incorporate the neighborhood effort into that plan and mobilize the community."

While the aim of neighborhood cooperation in emergency preparedness seemed clear enough to the interested citizens at the meeting, how the program fit into the city bureaucracy was not.

"My main objection is reporting to the city administrator for this program," Deirdre Sanchez told the council.

Fire Chief Koepke has assisted in the organization of this program and gone to many neighborhood meetings on his own time. The

city administrator has not been involved to this point.

In addition, the city's Multihazard Plan and the emergency plan for city staff was laid out by the fire chief and has been well handled by him since 1976, Sanchez said.

On a 3-2 vote, with the mayor and Councilmember Bill Lewis voting No, the council asked Nachbar to write up some program goals which he submitted Monday night. The main proposed goal is to "structure emergency management to fit Albany's needs" and includes engaging "important community organizations" in the effort and devising a planning, training and exercising program.



The set fire grew to a challenge for ALERT team members

Teams attack fire firsthand

Last Saturday morning at the Albany firehouse, 10 Albany Local Earthquake Ready Teams members and leaders learned what they'll need to know to put out fires should a major disaster strike. The session was led by fire Capt. Mark McGinn.

Representatives of the 800 block of Cornell, 900 block of Evelyn, 1000 block of Ventura, 700 block of Curtis, 1000 block

of Key Route and other neighborhoods got hands-on instruction in the use of fire extinguishers in squelching various types of fires.

The meeting was the latest in a series of training sessions in emergency preparedness by the ALERT teams organized in the wake of the 1989 earthquake to bring neighbors together to prepare for major disasters.

New accident scam victimizes elderly drivers

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — El Cerrito residents should be aware of a new form of con game being worked on older drivers.

Twice recently, drivers have been approached with the claim that they had been responsible for an accident, followed by demands for money. One Albany resident lost \$700 in the fraud.

On the morning of Feb. 11, a 92-year-old Albany man left the parking lot at Nation's restaurant

and drove to El Cerrito Plaza. When he arrived there, a male and female (both about 30 years of age) approached him, claiming that he had damaged their vehicle in the Nation's lot and had caused bodily injury. They accepted \$700 from the man, in payment for the accident, then fled.

The same method was used to attempt to defraud a 78-year-old woman at about 6 p.m. on Feb. 20. The woman had been in the Safeway parking lot, then drove to El

Cerrito Plaza. A man approached her there, claiming that she had hit his vehicle in the Safeway lot and telling her he wanted cash.

The woman, sure that she had hit no car, felt it was a scam and refused to pay.

According to El Cerrito Detective Shawn Maples, the vehicles are followed to a second location to, at least in part, avoid the possibility of witnesses to the fact that there had been no accident. If any such claims are made, said Maples, the driver should just call

the police for arbitration.

Evidently, he said, specific victims are being targeted. After the suspects watch them park or back out in one location, they follow them to another.

Virus

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mos noted that local software companies should also have similar programs available for purchase.

The bulletin board's anti-virus software is available in the files area, Guggemos said. The program, which detects 700-plus viruses, is called SCAN86-B.ZIP. When a virus is detected, CLEAN 86.ZIP is designed to clean it out.

"The solution is to get anti-virus software now and run it through all your floppies, so you can get rid of it before it does any damage," Guggemos said.

For further information, residents can call Detective Guggemos at 215-4422 or the Public Safety Bulletin Board at 215-3273.

Counties seek more rail service

Contra Costa County supervisors voted this week to host a tri-county meeting of East Bay officials interested in forming a coalition to promote the development of commuter rail service on existing rail lines and rights of way.

The Board of Supervisors voted

5-0 to support a plan for a Greater East Bay Rail Opportunities Coalition that would coordinate efforts in Contra Costa, Alameda and Solano counties to obtain funding for new train routes.

Supervisor Tom Powers said if the three counties work together to set priorities instead of competing separately for state and federal financing, their proposals for an interconnected commuter rail network will "rise to the top" of the list of candidates for government funds.

Powers said Southern Pacific and Amtrak are eager to cooperate with plans to adapt rail lines now used for freight and long-distance inter-city passenger service so they can meet the need for commuter transportation.

For example, Amtrak's Capitol Corridor route from the East Bay to Sacramento could also accommodate commuters by increasing the frequency of the trains and the number of stops, Powers said.

A date for the rail coalition meeting will be set for early April.

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Ladbroke welcomes neighbors to visit the track

By Fern Luoma

When Ladbroke's Golden Gate Fields opens at 11 a.m. this Saturday, Albany families and their guests will be treated to a day of excitement, entertainment and camaraderie.

Guests should enter through the North Gate (Buchanan Street entrance), which is now the track's main gate. There they will surrender their free Albany Day at the Races admission tickets, continuing on to Albany's welcome table manned by city officials and Chamber of Commerce representatives.

At the table they will exchange the special seating portion of the ticket for a lapel sticker entitling guests to sit in sections 13 and 14, which is near the finish line. The welcome table will be near section 20 on the second level.

Entertainment will be provided by the Albany Middle School Jazz Band, under the direction of Robert Slous, playing from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and the Albany High School Band and Choir, under the direction of Terry Larsen. The choir will sing from 1 to 1:45 p.m. and the band will play from 1:45 to 2:15.

All guests will be given a "welcome" packet courtesy of Golden Gate Fields which will include a welcoming letter, a group brochure, racing calendar, membership plans, a brochure on Tips for the First-Time Starter and other information.

Each Albany residence has been mailed free admission tickets that includes a special seating stub and a welcome letter that includes information for the first time attendees. If Albany residents have not received their free tickets in the mail, they may obtain them from the Albany Chamber of Commerce office after showing identification.

Food service is available throughout the track. The Turf Club offers a savory buffet for groups only while Turf Club patrons may order from a menu. Other food concession include Taste of Italy features pizza;

Winner's Circle, hot dogs, pop corn and pretzels; South of the Border, tacos and other Mexican food; The Market, fresh fruit, sandwiches and a different hot item each day; Sweet Finish, frozen yogurt; Track Snax, hot dogs and other fast foods; Fair Grounds, fast food; Country Kitchen, biscuits and hot food, and Clocker's Corner, carved sandwiches of roast beef, turkey and ham.

Albany Day at the Races is a vehicle through which Golden Gate Fields provides the opportunity for all of Albany's non-profit organizations to generate unlimited funds for their respective programs. Monies are used for assistance for the blind, underprivileged, scholarships, camperships, youth programs, beautification projects and more. The organizations are selling raffle and free admission to the race track combined. A \$1 ticket is a \$7.50 value.

Laval's Pizza has a \$2 discount stub valid at any of their stores. There is also a stub for the drawing of major prizes donated by Sumitomo Bank, Richard's Jewelers, Century Cable, Nolte Photography Design, Al Caruso of Farmers Insurance, Yujean's Restaurant, K and S Realty Company, Albany Safeway, Swimming for Adults Afraid in Water, Norge Cleaning Services, Mary and Joe's Sporting Goods, NTT Travel, The Mechanics Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, SOS Personnel, Rita Smith Realtor, Jeans Realty, Bank of America and Albany Little League.

Tickets are available from the non-profit groups, Albany High School Athletic Boosters, Kids Corner, Albany Child Care Center and the Albany Chamber of Commerce.

Citizens of the Year, Clyde and Margaret Stone, will have a race named in their honor. They were selected for this award and received recognition at a function held at the race track last month.

Golden Gate Fields gates open daily at 11 a.m., Wednesday through Sunday except for special holidays. Post time is 12:35 p.m. Children under 18 are admitted free with a paid adult admission.

Additional information is available at the Chamber of Commerce from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Sumitomo Bank's name was inadvertently omitted from the tickets and window posters distributed throughout Albany for the promotion of Albany Day at the Races. Sumitomo Bank has pledged to donate a \$100 United States Savings Bond as one of the prizes and has done so each year supporting this popular fundraiser. Bank manager Yoko Fitzpatrick is one of Albany's ardent supporters.

Healthy trade

Todd Kauffmann RN, DC will give a complimentary examination and evaluation to anyone who takes canned or packaged food or clothing to his office at 1152 Solano Avenue for HOPE, sponsored by the California Chiropractic Association. All donations will be used for those in need.



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Health official urges study of AIDS in non-urban areas

Bay City News

Contra Costa County Public Health epidemiologist Juan Reardon said recently he envies the resources that contributed to a pair of studies released this week on the toll of the AIDS epidemic in San Francisco.

Reardon said if the same scientific efforts were focused on areas like Contra Costa, "the periphery instead of the epicenter," of the epidemic, researchers might get a better idea of what direction the disease will take in the future.

He said San Francisco's population may not be representative of the rest of the nation.

Contra Costa County has roughly one-tenth the number of residents infected with the AIDS virus in San Francisco, although the county has a slightly larger population than its neighbor across the bay.

But AIDS is a rapidly growing threat in Contra Costa, especially among low-income minority populations. Available statistics show the disease is extending beyond

the gay white male population originally attacked by the virus in the late 1970s and early 1980s, and is infecting more women, drug users, and African Americans in Contra Costa, Reardon said.

By a rough estimate, around 3,300 of Contra Costa's 790,000 residents are infected with HIV, compared with the 28,000 San Franciscans reported to have the virus in a study released Tuesday.

About 700 people in Contra Costa have been diagnosed with AIDS, and all but 280 have died.

An increasing proportion of the living AIDS patients are female and/or African American, which means those people contracted the disease more recently. Additional data from Richmond, which has the highest total number of AIDS cases of any of Contra Costa's 18 cities, show heterosexual intravenous drug users are also increasingly at risk for AIDS.

In the period from 1982 to 1988, 63.7 percent of the new AIDS cases reported in Richmond occurred among gay or bisexual males, while only 17.2 percent

were drug users, Reardon said.

Among new cases from 1991,

the percentage of A

cases contracted through intra-

venous drug use had climbed to

percent, with 49.4 percent os

ring among gay and bisex

males.

Reardon said when a new de

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federal Centers for Disease

control goes into effect in April,

Contra Costa will have an esti-

1,030 residents with AIDS.

The new definition expand

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Reardon estimated there w

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Business Scene

The newest addition to the Montclair Village is J AND J HARDWARE AND BUILDING SUPPLY located on Medau Place. Open only a month and a half, the store is filled with specialty hardware items, difficult-to-find tools and supplies and a wide array of nuts, bolts, screws, screwdrivers and hammers.

The store offers basic hardware for homeowners' weekend projects in the bathroom, kitchen or basement. Everything from copper fittings, PVC, rebar, foundation vents, and joist hangers are available in the neatly laid out store.

Stanley miter boxes with back saws share shelf space with First Alert Smoke Detectors and Foundation Repairs.

The back room is devoted to the garden and is filled with picks, brooms, hoses of varying lengths, drip irrigation systems with timers and many small hand tools to make your garden come to life this spring.

Plumbing and electrical supplies for the home and for contractors are available, and difficult-to-find items like extra-deep electrical boxes and 200-amp service wire are on display. The store also stocks a supply of electrical panels and metal junction boxes with all the fittings you will need to bring power and light to your home or office project.

Jack of J AND J Hardware and Building Supply has been a builder for over 15 years and is very knowledgeable about local codes and regulations. He is more than willing to assist you in acquiring the right equipment and supplies.

"We listen to our customers and make every attempt possible to supply them with what they

want at a very fair price," said Jack. "We search for suppliers and try and make the best deals possible and then pass the savings on to our customers."

I could have easily spent two hours in the store, every bin and shelf presenting solutions to my half-finished projects at home. As I walked around, I became aware that there was a steady stream of customers in to see Jack, and he always seemed to have an answer or the right part or fitting.

People were buying copper wire, bases for lamps and, believe it or not, screws for Revere Ware pots.

J AND J has all the basics — from 850 different types and sizes of screws to the 70 plus styles and weights of hammers available. Natural gas connectors and propane fuel kits line the walls as do crowbars of different weights and lengths and threaded bar up to 12 feet in length and from a quarter inch in diameter to an inch and a quarter.

There are at least 10,000 items available in J AND J Hardware and Building Supply. To top it off they deliver to your home or site in the Montclair and Piedmont area free of charge for orders over \$100. They are offering a 10 percent discount to survivors or the hills fire. The HWI affiliate J AND J Hardware and Building Supply is located at 6116 Medau Place in Montclair Village. The store is open for business seven days a week. Their hours are Monday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Starting in May they will be open weekdays from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. for early risers. For additional information about stock on hand please feel free to call Jack or John at 339-3310.

After more than 50 BRECKENRIDGE BRIDAL the oldest bridal shop in the Area, has decided to call Owner Ruby Augustine is

Augustine purchased the land shop, located at 40 Broadway, from the owners, Alice and Henry ridge, in 1970.

Augustine recalled Breckenridge opened a shop in the 1920s, adding veils and garters in the years and finally became a fledged bridal shop in 1950.

The building itself is q

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decided to hold a "quitting

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El Cerrito Newsline

By Eileen Duffy

Community service offers rewards that are measurable. Here are just two samples of activities that will soon take place.

Friends and Brownies cooperate

The friends of the El Cerrito Library are collecting books for their annual book sale to help the Library. The sale will take place in June. In the meantime,

they could use your help. If you have

books to contribute, bring them by the library where the

friends will tag them and store them until

the sale. Paperback

and hardback books

are welcome on any

subject matter. The

only stipulation is that the books be in good shape.

This year, Girl Scouts of America will be celebrating their 80th anniversary. Girl Scout and Brownie troops everywhere will be celebrating this milestone by performing service projects for their communities.

For their community service project, Browning Troop #3072 of the El Cerrito/Kensington Region will be collecting books in their neighborhoods for Friends of the El Cerrito Library book sale. If one of these girls knocks on your door, please help us as much as you can.



Troop leaders Lu Tipping, Cinda Hubbard and Betty Barthel will be helping their 14 charges. Cinda expressed her enthusiasm about the project: "This is something the girls can do that will really make a difference." If you have books that you would like the girls to pick up, you may call Cinda at 237-3987.

Friends of the El Cerrito Library spokesperson, Barbara Keyes, also is excited about this cooperative effort. She thinks the sale this year will be better than ever — it can be with the support of volunteers like Browning Troop #3072.

Mark your calendars for the Friends of the El Cerrito Library book sale in June. Watch this column for more information.

Cinda also reminds everyone that it is Girl Scout cookie time. Girls will be in your neighborhood and at local shopping centers selling those great cookies. Forget the calories — just this once — and buy a box.

BART Path Tree Planting

After a brief winter hiatus, the City and lots of great volunteers are ready to get back to work putting in trees along the BART path. The next tree planting will be Saturday, March 14, at 10 a.m.

This is a great opportunity for the whole family to do something fun and worthwhile together. We invite you to join us. Be sure to wear old clothes, and gloves are recommended. The area to be planted is the block from Potrero Avenue to Gladys Avenue. There's plenty of parking in the area. See you there!

El Cerrito library looking for some more 'friends'

The newly activated Friends of the El Cerrito Library needs members. Fees are \$2 for seniors, \$3 for individuals, and \$4 for families.

The library also needs good books for a sale planned for

later this year. A book box is located just inside the front door of the library. Volunteers and their ideas are very welcome.

Board of Directors meetings are held once a month at the library. Call 234-2825 for more information.

The Friends provide special books, periodicals, video tapes, and children's programs, and, in general, supplement library services.

The library has received 30 books on quilting from the estate of Eva M. Carson, a long time resident of El Cerrito and an expert quilter. The books have been catalogued and are on the shelves.

Revenue and crime down this year in Kensington, say police

By Dawn Frasleur

KENSINGTON — Police Chief Jim Bray and Fire Chief Samuel Treese gave brief state-of-the-community reports to a number of Kensington residents at the recent annual town meeting sponsored by the Kensington Improvement Club.

Bray, who is also the general manager of the community services district, told the crowd he would give a brief status report on the community, as well as a few crime statistics.

His status report focused on a few financial realities.

"We are now beginning to feel the fallout from state and county budget cuts," he said, explaining that certain bills recently passed have had the effect of both reducing revenue to local jurisdictions and increasing expenditures.

Bray then gave a few examples. Senate Bill 2557, for instance, allows the county to charge a local community for each jail booking, something which previously had no cost attached to it. The cost is \$127 per prisoner, he said. In addition, said Bray, the county now charges an administration fee on property tax collection. The combined loss of both sources of revenue will cost Kensington perhaps \$25,000 annually, he said.

Citation fines, a large revenue source, are now greatly reduced, he continued. While previously, 86 percent of the fines went into Kensington's coffers, now just 50 percent of moving violation fines will be retained — and only 25 percent of parking fines.

Bray estimated that the community will lose "upwards of \$10,000 in revenue" from that change alone.

He added that he and others will be "watching Governor Wilson's plan to use some property taxes (now available to cities) to balance his budget.

Because of these possibilities and other changes, Bray said he would be asking the board to collect the full amount of the special police tax authorized in 1981. At that time, he said, only \$45 was collected from each residential property, though \$90 had been authorized. "We decided at that time that if we didn't need the money, we wouldn't collect the full amount," he explained.

In 1984, the amount was increased to \$90. In 1987, it went back to \$45 and in 1990 went up to \$60. "We probably have to go back to \$90 now," Bray said.

The police chief closed his report with a few crime statistics, which he said was the "good news."

For the first time since 1987, Bray announced, there were no armed robberies reported. There were also no rapes or homicides.

While the number of residential burglaries went down, he continued, there was a property loss increase from \$150,000 last year to \$158,000 this year. However, he said, most of the property was recovered.

"Injury accidents are at an all-time low," Bray said. And in general, "it was a relatively safe year."

Fire safety a priority

Fire chief Sam Treese shared current fire department plans and strategies for protecting the community from fire disasters.

Most of the department's plans

are oriented around more intense education efforts, Treese said. "We've been doing this all the time anyway, but there's a little more impetus now since the Oakland fire," he explained.

Specifically, the department plans to "broaden the information base" on fire safety in the city by distributing, for example, information regarding fire safety to every home in Kensington and its occupants.

One-on-one visits are another goal. Members of the fire department will visit all ridgeline homeowners, Treese said, in order to give them specific advice on coping with fire problems in their immediate area. He would also like very much to see neighborhood groups formed, at which homeowners can meet with representatives of PG&E, EBMUD or any other agencies with relevant input.

Along with working on some items related to fire safety submitted to him from the improvement club, Treese is spending quite a bit of time these days meeting with other agencies and jurisdictions with a stake in fire safety in the East Bay hills.

"We're working on mutual support with other fire departments," he said, "including Berkeley and Oakland (now that they have their feet on the ground after the fire), Richmond, El Cerrito and the Regional Parks District."

Treese added that, through the regional organization of fire chiefs, meetings are also being set up with representatives from Alameda and other counties to bolster mutual response in all areas.

The Oakland fire, he said, "made us take a good long look and what we do and how we do it. We had to 'go back to school' and learn some things."

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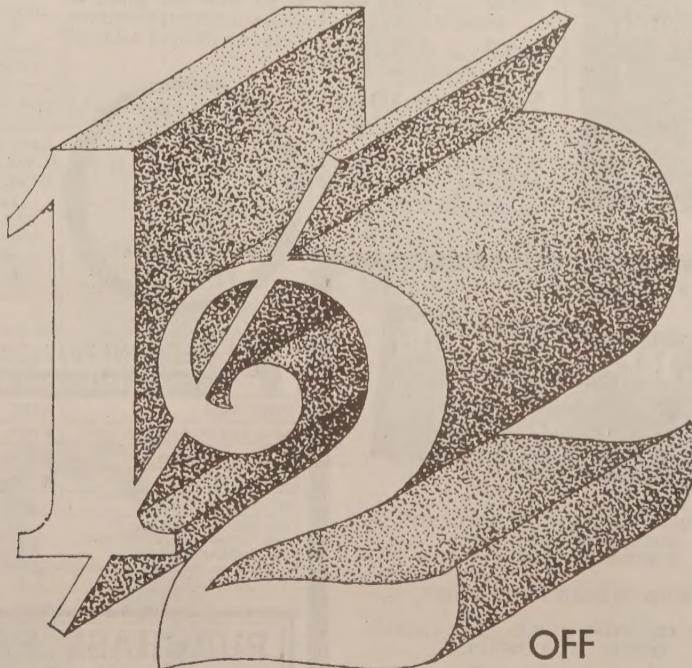
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Suit filed over rest room accessibility

Bay City News

A disabled Berkeley woman has sued the Sizzler restaurant in Walnut Creek for violating new federal civil rights codes by failing to make its restrooms accessible to customers in wheelchairs.

The civil suit filed in Contra Costa County Superior Court may be the first such action brought in the county since the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act went into effect Jan. 26.

The measure, which expands provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, requires businesses that provide public accommodations to make them accessible to the handicapped unless the expense would cause a severe hardship. Concetta Jorgensen began her campaign for changes at the Walnut Creek Sizzler restaurant when she went to lunch there with friends Feb. 13, 1990. Her wheelchair barely fit through the narrow door of the restroom, and

could not fit through the doors of any of the stalls, according to her attorney, Paul Rein.

Rein said Jorgensen wrote a letter to the restaurant manager but received no response.

She then sued Sizzler in municipal court under California laws that already required access for the disabled.

That suit is still pending. Joreen modified, Rein said. "I'm really frankly shocked," Rein said.

He said the Sizzler chain caters to elderly people by offering senior citizen discounts for meals, and provides parking spots for the handicapped close to entry doors. But disabled people may be halfway through a meal before they realize they can't use the restroom facilities, he said.

Jorgensen plans to seek an injunction to force Sizzler to reconstruct both its women's and men's restrooms for disabled access, Rein said.

Bay Trail public forum includes tour

State Assemblymember Tom Bates will be keynote speaker at the East Bay Public Forum for the San Francisco Bay Trail Project — a 400-mile hiking and biking path planned to circle the Bay. Assemblymember Bates, a trail legislative sponsor, will discuss pending legislation aimed at implementing the Bay Trail.

The public forum will be held Saturday, Feb. 29 in the Ebbe Room of the Lake Merritt Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave. at Lakeside Park in Oakland, beginning at 9 a.m. Coffee and muffins will be available beginning at 8:45 a.m. Free all-day parking will be available to those who arrive before 9 a.m.

The meeting will include a status update on the Bay Trail; presentation of the proposed trail alignment through Richmond, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, and Oakland; discussion of new Bay Trail development opportunities in the East Bay; and a review of ways individuals and organizations can help complete the Trail.

A panel discussion on building

the Bay Trail in the East Bay will include the following speakers: Albany Councilmember Bill Cain, Richmond Councilmember Rosemary Corbin, Oakland Councilmember Marge Gibson-Haskell, Berkeley Mayor Loni Hancock, Emeryville Councilmember Greg Harper, and Coastal Conservancy Project Manager Karen Rust.

Current and pressing issues along the Bay Trail will be discussed, including the proposed wildlife refuge in Richmond, closure of landfill and park development in Albany, North Waterfront Park and other park plans in Berkeley, an existing but currently in accessible tunnel under 1-80 in Emeryville, and the Channel Park proposal in Oakland.

Speakers include Claudia Capio, Albany Planning Director; Vicki Elmer, Berkeley Assistant to the City Manager; Bob Hogan, Emeryville Planning Commissioner; David MacDiarmid, trail activist and former Richmond Councilmember; and Cleveland Williams, Oakland Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation.

Following the formal presentations, attendees can tour future East Bay segments of the Bay Trail by bicycle or carpool to a trail site at Radio Beach in Oakland.

Bay Trail Project Chair Tom Mikkelson will moderate the event. The public forum is funded by the State Coastal Conservancy and hosted by the San Francisco Bay Trail Project, the nonprofit organization working to implement the Trail. The City of Oakland Parks and Recreation Department has donated the Garden Center room for the meeting.

Participants are asked to bring a lunch; drinks will be provided. When complete the San Francisco Bay Trail will pass through all nine Bay Area counties and all of its shoreline cities. The trail gives walkers, bicyclists, joggers and everyone who loves the outdoors a place close to where they live and work to enjoy the beauty of the bay.

The Bay Trail will link 90 existing parks, marinas and beaches and help protect and preserve open space and the Bay — one of the region's greatest natural resources.

The San Francisco Bay Trail is funded by the Association of Bay Area governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). It is administered by ABAG and the Bay Trail Project Nonprofit Corporation in Oakland at 444-7904. Participants

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REAL ESTATE

by Ben Vitcov

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The answer should be "away from the foundation." If the slope permits the water to flow toward the foundation, it would likely infiltrate the crawl space. If the condition were severe, there would be several inches of standing water in the crawl space.

The dirt level in the crawl space is always lower than the dirt level outside. Concrete foundations are not waterproof, so any water that

collects near the foundation will seep into the crawl space.

Now you can understand why the slope of the soil should pitch away from the foundation at the rate of one-half inch per foot for at least three to five feet. The same slope should exist at patios and walks that abut the foundation.

For an absolute confirmation of water infiltration, I would suggest you put on a pair of grubby clothes and make a visit to the crawl space below the floor. With a good flashlight you could scan the entire perimeter of the foundation for evidence of what looks like white powder clinging to the wall of the foundation.

If you see this evidence on all four walls of the foundation, you are likely to have standing water in the middle of winter.

Take a good hard look at the perimeter soil slope, position splash blocks under the downspouts and maintain this condition during your annual landscape maintenance.

January home prices

According to the Oakland Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service statistics, median home prices for January were:

- Two bedrooms - \$150,000.
- Three bedrooms - \$249,400.
- Four or more bedrooms - \$330,000.

• Condos - \$130,000.

The overall median price was \$186,300. Total dollar volume was up 5 percent over last January's sales but down from December's atypically high figures.

Twenty-five percent of all available homes fell into the \$100,000-to-\$139,999 range. These statistics include Oakland, Piedmont and Emeryville.

A total of three awards will be made: One graduate-level award

New scholarships hope to lure minority students to real estate

Awards are available for under- or post-graduate students

By Steve Miller
Hills Newspapers

The Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM) Foundation recently introduced a merit scholarship award for minority college students majoring in real estate, aimed at facilitating increased participation from minorities in the real estate management industry.

The first awards will be made in June for the academic year beginning in September.

The IREM Foundation Minority Scholarship Award program is designed to assist minority students in real estate who are committed to a career in real estate management.

Awards are available to graduate and undergraduate minority students majoring in real estate, preferably with an emphasis in property management, asset management or related fields. The award is made on the basis of academic excellence.

A total of three awards will be made: One graduate-level award

in the amount of \$2,500 and two undergraduate-level awards of \$1,000 each.

Many colleges and universities are offering degree programs that specialize in real estate finance, development and management to meet the demands of the ever-growing property management field.

Property managers now are called upon to be skilled in, and knowledgeable about, emerging trends in operational management, financial analysis, marketing techniques, investment strategies and communications.

"We want to emphasize the increasing opportunities for minority

involvement in the real estate management industry," said Ald Harris, 1992 president of IREM Foundation.

"With this new program, we offer scholarships and career training programs that assist to practicing professionals and the next generation of real estate management professionals."

Information about the scholarship program may be obtained by contacting the IREM Foundation Coordinator, 430 North Michigan Ave., P.O. Box 1090, Chicago, Ill. 60610-9025. The deadline for applications is May 15.

Demystify development

The California Preservation Foundation will sponsor a workshop on "Demystifying Development" this Friday, Feb. 28, at the Berkeley Conference Center, 2105 Bancroft Way. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The workshop is designed to give the participants an orientation to the issues that govern development decisions in California. Developers, financial consultants

and attorneys will present via video the myths and realities of real estate development.

The program will be geared toward anyone who wants to understand how preservation fits into the development picture as planners, architects, city officials, rehab specialists, preservation advocates and historic property owners.

Workshop sessions will discuss issues like: analyzing project feasibility and development proposals, assessing strategies for adaptive reuse, using tax incentives for historic buildings, calculating return on investment, and complying with code requirements in historic buildings.

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Albany Newsline

Julia Cappio Planning Director

The City of Albany is presently updating its General Plan. The Plan, required by State Law, defines policies and objectives that will guide the physical development during the next 20 years. The plan includes information and recommendations about parks and open space, land use, housing, noise and traffic.

Though no one knows exactly what will happen in the future, this updating process is important for citizens to understand and participate in. An

opportunity can be made for the public to be involved in the planning process. It's important for the City to focus on (i.e.,

improvements to parks, planting street trees, etc.)

The next hearing to review the draft Plan is scheduled for the Feb. 25, 1992 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. During March and April, city staff will be reviewing comments to date and preparing the first set of revisions of the plan. A second series of public hearings is set to begin in May, 1992. The city council should be ready to adopt the new plan by September, 1992.

Copies of the draft plan are available for purchase or loan at city hall, and copies can also be checked out at the Albany Library. For more information about the General Plan process, please call the Albany Planning Department at 528-5760.

There will be many opportunities for citizens to



Albany's most interesting man

"I happen to think that I am married to the most interesting man in Albany," wrote Peg Healy. And her long, detailed letter proved that he was, indeed, an interesting man, married to a most interesting woman.

Peg Healy is a 'microbial ecologist,' meaning that his field is particularly on how small things eat other small things. Example: the bacteria that eat up oil slicks.

A scientist, teacher, environmentalist, doting father (Peg has wonderful pictures of Joe on the floor playing with one-year-old Joseph B. Healy, the third in line with that name and commonly called Jay); devoted husband, and playmate. Peg calls him "your basic Irish leprechaun."

We'll let Peg go on: The oldest of eight children and the grandson of Irish immigrants, Joe was raised in Oakland and San Mateo, and went to high school at the Maryknoll Seminary in the Sunnyvale hills during the expansive '60s.

He put himself through

UC-Berkeley, where he 'had some contact with the beginnings of the Free Speech movement and got degrees in bacteriology and biochemistry. Then he accepted a paid graduate student position at Stanford which eventually earned him a Ph.D. in environmental engineering.

"Unlike many grad students," Peg continues, "Joe is an electric and a holistic thinker; rather than dissecting 'trees,' his strength was synthesizing information and postulating conclusions about 'the forest.' His thesis on anaerobic bacteria processes was one of the first of its kind."

After a couple of years 'post-doc' in Zurich, Switzerland on aerobic bacteria projects, Joe returned to California, living on his savings in Bolinas and working

Community Folk

By Clara-Rae Genser



gratuit for Commonweal Gardens, a commercial organic garden which practices French deep-bed gardening techniques. "Even now 10 years later, he treks back to Bolinas at least once a month to play soccer with his buddies and brew pale ale and porter with an old friend."

When his savings ran out, Joe moved to Albany so he could ride his bike to the UC-Richmond Field Station, where he worked for Lawrence Lab on more post-doc

research involving bacteria and oil shales. Peg continues: "I met him at the Starry Plough, where he was one of the Rinca Mor Irish

dancers. We were acquaintances for five years before he asked me out — one of the social

disadvantages of attending an all male seminary (even for a man with sisters) is a certain shyness in dating and flirting! At this time he also led hikes for Sierra Singers."

"At one point," she continues, "The research money ran out, and Joe went on vacation to Costa Rica to visit a college friend until the next grant came in. Three months and a great time later, the grants

fell through, and he came back and got a job teaching at the former Independent Learning School in Berkeley (a small private high school with a central campus in San Francisco and a commitment to personalized instruction). Joe was officially the science and P.E.

teacher, but he used his electric skills to tutor in almost every other area (except advanced languages).

Joe Healy and Peg married at about the time the school was 'under-going reconfiguration' and Joe went back to work as an environmental engineer, working at the EPA in San Francisco where he is a remedial project manager supervising the cleanup of Superfund sites in Silicon Valley.

Because of Joe's commitment to the environment, they recycle everything: glass, newspaper, cans, scrap papers, cardboard, egg cartons, milk cartons, building materials, water, baby clothing and equipment and vegetation and food scraps (to the compost pile that has moved with Joe from Albany to Berkeley and back to Albany).

"He takes public transit to work, and we eat low on the food chain, and as much as we can from the flower-and-vegetable garden that is Joe's main hobby — apart from beer brewing, soccer, home improvement and keeping up with his extended and nuclear family."

Peg Healy, a lawyer, works afternoons and evenings, and Joe picks up Jay in the evening, takes him to the park, gives him his dinner and puts him to bed.

"Now that we've nearly finished with our fixer-upper, Joe is about to try a 'warm ale' recipe that can be brewed and stored at Albany temperatures under the house, and is designing a label with Albany Hill on it, to be used for potluck items and gifts.

Peg, whose hobbies include singing, mostly 'old music-songs and ballads, adds, "I usually hang out with singers, actors and lawyers, so it is a treat for me to have a scientist on hand who can explain things like yogurt culture, soil composition, blood types and the chemistry of digesting beans."

Vivacious Peg, bright, active young Jay and the electric Joe. A wonderful family that makes up part of the varied, interesting community that is Albany.

I continue to invite all of you to give me your ideas: interesting people, events, organizations, etc. Write to me at 555 Pierce St., No. 443, Albany 94706.

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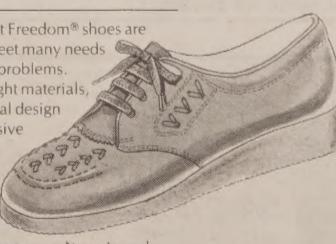
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Council

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Council candidates Brodsky, Robert Good, Mayor Thelma Rubin and Deirdre Wallace Sanchez, after initial statements on background and issues, answered audience questions. Incumbent Council-member Bill Lewis, who was absent due to a root canal, submitted a written statement of his views.

• Mike Brodsky said he would lead an effort to get portions of the waterfront, designated as the "plateau," the "neck" and the "bulb," into service as a park within his four-year tenure.

In answer to the question of whether the city should study waterfront use alternatives to the race track, Brodsky said such a study would be out of date in 10-years, when the race track lease expires. The city should "get the park built," he said. Brodsky said Albany Hill land "under threat of being developed" should be brought "into the public domain" without increased taxes.

Safe

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lieve they saw vehicles similar to the description given.

"Generally, we're following up on leads now," McQuiston said, adding that he has been in touch with several neighboring agencies, none of whom have reported a similar incident.

McQuiston said that though the incidents were unrelated, he hoped it would make people better realize that "this sort of thing happens more than once every 10 years or so."

He added that the old self-protecting rules still apply, things like walking in groups, telling someone where you're going and when you'll return.

As far as giving information to the police, he said, "I would never encourage anyone to put themselves in a dangerous situation." Even though a license

Denying he is a one-issue candidate, Brodsky said he "enjoys solving problems," is "good at it" and wants to "give something back to the community."

• Robert Good, characterizing himself as himself as having a "conservative nature," viewed the park vs. race track controversy as separate issues. While the race track is not "a sensible use of the land," he said, it should be left "as is" until city revenues from the track can be "replaced with another kind of development."

Good said he would seek out "competent citizen volunteers" to implement city staff work.

• Mayor Thelma Rubin, commenting on a wide-range of issues, emphasized that the city must "keep in a negotiating position" to secure shoreline park lands and to squeeze already-allocated money out of the state for park enhancement.

Rubin said the Waterfront Committee's fiscal task force will shortly study alternative revenue sources

to the race track. She predicted the doubled racing days plan for Golden Gate Fields would eventually be approved by the legislature and the race track would remain in Albany.

The mayor said she has always "passionately believed in working for a balanced environment."

• Deirdre Wallace Sanchez, who said the fiscal effects of the race track leaving Albany have been ignored in the past, pinned hope on the Waterfront Committee's study of other income possibilities.

"With race track revenues going down, now is the time to look for alternative sources," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said she supports the ongoing cooperation among the cities of Albany, Berkeley and Emeryville to develop the Bay Trail and the Eastshore State Park.

Given the \$5 weekly salary, how much time would they spend on council business? The candidates answers ranged from Good's "spare time" eight hours a week, through Brodsky's 20 hours a

week or "whatever it takes" to Sanchez' estimated 30 hours a week.

The session closed with the \$64,000 question posed by Tony Caine: "Why would anyone's right mind run for City Council?"

Brodsky cited his wish to do something about "view of the dump" and to ensure that the city is responsive to citizen concerns.

Good said he's "engaged in this madness" because he is dissatisfied with the way the city and wants to "do something instead of just sitting."

Mayor Rubin finds city council service "interesting," she said, and believes strongly in the airing of minority opinion.

Sanchez, pointing out that Albany is not an issue city, said she wants to apply a wider perspective to dealing with the many issues that face the city.

• The tree has damaged the sidewalk causing a tripping hazard and the city has repaired the walk at least 3 times.

A request to remove a tree uprooting a repaired sidewalk can be made if the property agrees to pay for tree removal and purchase planting of a replacement tree.

All requests for tree removal must meet one criteria and be made by the owner of the property fronting on the tree site.

Dead, damaged and diseased trees may be removed by the Public Works Department with public notice. Otherwise, property owners will have 150 ft. radius of the tree in question will be removed and the tree posted with a Notice of Intent to move a Street Tree.

Request rejections and approvals by Public Works may be appealed within 15 days to the Park and Recreation Commission and further to the City Council.

Trees

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Mayor Thelma Rubin, a retired nurse, toned down the proposed requirement of proof that "the allergy presents an extraordinary health risk," saying that medical desensitization to allergies is an arduous process and cannot be guaranteed to succeed.

Since August 1988, when the policy was instituted, the city has planted 120 new trees. Of 20 requests for tree removal, 16 were denied with one appeal lodged and four removals were approved. Planting outnumbers removals by about 30 to 1, according to Lefler.

As set out in the policy no street tree shall be removed unless on the following criteria is met:

- The tree is dead.
- The tree is storm damaged, diseased or borer infested beyond reclamation.
- The tree is a potential safety hazard and a liability to the city.

Letters

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By Dawn Frasleur

Members of the City Council and the parks and recreation commission toured Canyon Trail Park last Saturday to see what the city has accomplished in terms of fire prevention work there.

The tour was guided by Fire Chief Steve Cutright, who gave a brief talk on how fires begin, and by consulting arborist Steve Batchelder, who described the work done in more detail.

"The purpose was to update city and recreation officials on the fire hazard reduction program," said Beth Bartke, assistant to the Community Services Director.

There were basically three reasons the city started the prevention program in Canyon Trail Park, Bartke explained.

"First, there's a high public awareness of the hazards there," she said, "because of the kinds of trees there are, their closeness to each other and to the homes that are contiguous to the park."

The second reason is closely related. "There is danger there," Bartke said. "There have been fires — several in the past year."

Finally, she added, "city resources are limited." Useful fire prevention measures in the park are something that could be ac-

complished, she said, even with limited resources.

Most of the work was done by the city's own public works department, though an outside contractor was hired for some of the tree removals. The major work done included the removal of 42 Monterey Pine trees — those that were dead, unhealthy or too close together, the trimming of 69 Monterey pines and 30 to 35 oak trees, and the clearing of large amounts of dead ground fuel wood.

"We did our first work on the north side, in the area closest to homes," said Batchelder. He explained that the area was heavily filled with pine trees, "which burn the most readily," and that many were removed.

Projects which remain include the removal of blackberry vines and poison oak, more tree trimming, and better ivy management, he said.

Another project that Batchelder believes would be both economi-



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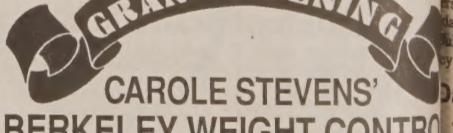
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Events This Week

Malcolm X: The ballot or the bullet



Michael Lange as Malcolm X

Malcolm X: The ballot or the bullet

"The Ballot or the Bullet," one of Malcolm X's most famous speeches, will be recreated in a one-hour presentation at the Oakland Museum's James Moore Theatre on Sunday, both at 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Michael Lange portrays the black leader who first rose to national prominence as leader of the Black Muslim movement in America. The speech is thought to have brought forth the philosophy of Black Nationalism. It is seen as a departure from Malcolm X's previous views; it calls for unity and harmony.

The presentation, besides Lange, includes six other actors and music and dancing. After the theatrical recreation, there will be a 20-minute discussion moderated by author and professor Wade H. Davis. Tickets are \$10 to \$12. Call 420-1963 for more information.

Jennifer Berezan in Catholic benefit

Singer-songwriter Jennifer Berezan appears at 2 p.m. Sunday at Holy Names High School, 4660 Harbord Drive in Oakland, for a benefit concert for the high school and Catholic Charities' Department of Aging. Described as an important new voice on the progressive folk scene, Berezan sings about personal struggle as well as broader social concerns. Catholic Charities' Department of Aging provides services to elders including grief outreach, respite care and employment. Holy Names High, a school for girls, was founded in 1868. (Harbord Drive branches off Broadway Terrace near the heart of the area burned October.) Tickets are \$10 to \$30; call 834-5656 for information.

It's cut to the concertos

Lot of concert goers think the best part of a concert is the concertos. According to this, the San Francisco Concerto Orchestra has put together a program of almost nothing but concertos, scheduled for 7

Sunday at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave. Berkeley. The unusual item is Violin Concerto da Camera of Spanish composer Juan Manen in first performance of the work which the composer is not the violinist. Joseph Gold is the violinist.

Also on the program is (the pre-concerto) *Christian Zeal and Vanity* by Berkeley's own John Adams. Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 24 (Seth Montfort is the pianist) and a selection of double concertos (played by members of Young People's Chamber Orchestra) round out the program. Tickets are \$5 to \$10. Call 445-7373 for more information.



Violinist Joseph Gold

Programs for or by children

Max and Flossie, a Russian comedy duo, will headline the annual Purim Carnival at the Oakland-Piedmont Jewish Community Center Sunday. The carnival, which also includes game booths, a children's costume parade, mask making and songs and food, is from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the center, 3245 Sheffield Ave. in Oakland. Purim celebrates the deliverance of the Jews of ancient Persia from the villainous Haman through the actions of Esther and her cousin Mordecai. Max and Flossie trained at the Moscow Premier School for Actors and Circus Performers. For ticket information, call 533-9222.

Artworks by students at Oakland's McClymonds High School are on display at MOCHA, the Museum of Children's Art, through March 1. The works were created in a series of Artists-in-Residence workshops at the high school and show America as seen through the eyes of 9- and 12th-grade inner-city students. Included are poetry, sculpture, collage, charcoal drawings and "personality cubes." The museum is at Broadway. Call 465-8770 for more information.

This Saturday, UC-Berkeley's Museum of Paleontology presents another in its series of Young People's Lectures. This one is called "Whales, Flukes, Fat and Flippers" and concerns species — whales, otters, seals, etc. — whose ancestors once lived on land. Learn how they adapted to life in water. The lecture is at 10 a.m. at the Earth Sciences Building, just south of the intersection of Euclid and Hearst in Berkeley. To reserve tickets (\$3 per lecture), call 642-1607.

Dance Brigade: 'Goodbye Columbus'

The Bay Area Dance Series continues this weekend with the Dance Brigade, a women's collective that combines theater, song, sign language and martial arts. They premiere "Goodbye Columbus," coming on Columbus' arrival in America. Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. at Laney College Theatre, 900 Fallon St. in Oakland. Tickets are \$7 to \$14; call 464-3540 for information.



Dance Brigade performs this weekend at Laney College.

Comic film about a crooner on the lam

■ *The life of English singer Josef Locke inspires a superb film.*

By Renata Polt

It's not an easy job for Micky O'Neil (Adrian Dunbar), trying to build a career as an impresario and nightclub manager in small-town England. Hoping to rise above dog acts, he books a singer, but the singer gets laryngitis.

Movies

In desperation, Micky goes on himself, crooning "Nancy With the Laughing Face" to his sweetheart, Nancy (Tara Fitzgerald), who's in the audience.

Next, Micky's talked into hiring a singer named Franc Cinatra, who wears a fedora and does a fairly creditable Sinatra impersonation. But business remains slow, and the building's owners want Micky and his club, the moribund Heartly's, out.

Maybe he can draw crowds by booking "Mr. X — Is He or Isn't He?" The person whom Mr. X (American actor William Hootkins), an immense tub of lard with the voice of an angel, turns out to be is Josef Locke, the legendary Irish tenor who has taken refuge from the English tax laws in Ireland and is a wanted man in England.

The film is *Hear My Song*, loosely based on the true story of 1950s singing star Locke, who still lives and occasionally performs in Ireland. It's directed by newcomer Peter Chelsom and written by Chelsom and Adrian Dunbar.

I've never heard of either of these people and of few of the actors, but *Hear My Song* is, as Mr. X says while plucking a white dove out of nowhere, sheer



Ned Beatty plays English crooner Josef Locke; Shirley Anne Field plays his former lover.

serendipity — one of those quiet, oddball comedies (*Antonia and Jane* was another) that only the English seem capable of making.

When Mr. X is exposed as a fraud by girl friend Nancy's mother, Cathleen, (Shirley Anne Field, of *The Entertainer* and *My Beautiful Laundrette*).

Cathleen is a former "Miss Dairy Goodness" who had a long-ago affair with the real Josef Locke and still carries a torch for him, and Micky is in deep doo-doo: not only has he presented a fake, but now neither Nancy nor

her mother will speak to him.

The only thing left to do is for Micky and his pal Fintan O'Donnell (James Nesbitt) to go to Ireland and hunt out the real Joe Locke. Their search presents an opportunity for some gorgeous views of Ireland (and a bit too much folderol about "the little people," Irish drinking habits and the like).

Well-known American character actor Ned Beatty (*Superman*) plays Locke with a somewhat unreliable accent (his singing voice is dubbed by Vernon Midgley). Hear My Song is a film that believes in love, but its romanticism is balanced by light-handed irony ("Sure, I'd rather be in jail than in love again," says one character). This combination of sweetness and humor keeps the picture from being corny, as do the little puzles about who's real and who's fake, a recurrent theme.

Quirky and original, *Hear My Song* is the first film I've seen this year that I'm unconditionally enthusiastic about. It plays at Berkeley's Shattuck Cinema and Oakland's Grand Lake.

'Mississippi Masala' a must-see movie

■ *A Ugandan-Indian family adapts to life in a Mississippi town.*

By Basil De Pinto

Despite its manifold political and economic difficulties, India has always had a thriving film industry.

Proof of the industry's vitality

and the African American who has never left Mississippi are caught in the toils of racial differences they cannot overcome.

Both families are disturbed by the affair between the two, and the lovers are faced with the most painful of choices: being together or pleasing their families.

Embedded in this domestic turmoil is a larger picture of racial pride and prejudice and a survey of the most basic human values and emotions. Nair's handling of this material is at once so mature and yet so comfortable that one is aware of a powerful sensibility that is also warm and generous.

Both families are presented warts and all, although the director tends to idealize the blacks and to be a bit more severe with her own people. But she plainly loves all these characters and makes them vibrant for the audience.

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In a deeply moving episode he discovers that he cannot recover the past and writes to his wife, Kinnu, (Sharmila Tagore) that "home is where the heart is."

Amazingly, this statement



Sarita Choudhury and Denzel Washington fall in love.

rings completely true without a trace of cliché. Nair's handling of the scene is so genuine that it becomes as profound as a totally new discovery.

Which is what puts a movie like this in the class of art: finding ever-new reverberations in the most basic and fundamental of realities. For all of the deep pathos connected with exile and with family grief, the movie abounds in genuinely funny parts, and its humor is integral to its total humanity.

The performances are of uniformly high quality. Seth makes Jay's grief at leaving his homeland and his discovery of the true country of the heart almost palpable in their simple, deep emotion. Tagore as his wife is a loving but never inferior presence, her reading of his letter from Uganda a

masterful piece of wordless acting.

The young lovers are very appealing. Washington covers the wide range of feeling his part requires without drawing attention to himself as the one well-known American star. Choudhury is beautiful without being overly exotic; she is exceptionally credible in her portrayal of conflict that is tearing her and her loved ones apart.

All the supporting players acquitted themselves well, especially Mohan Agashe as a slap-happy, usually tipsy motel owner, and Yvette Hawkins is a warm, inviting presence as Demetrius' Aunt Rose.

Mississippi Masala is a film of unusual substance and depth and the first film of the new year that definitely should not be missed.

Series stages native ritual dance

Freedom of movement lost in some dances

By Renee Renouf

Last month the 1992 Bay Area Dance Series started off three months of performances at Laney College. This year the emphasis is on "We, the Natives," with a strong focus on indigenously inspired or Native American dance expressions.

Dance

The first weekend was devoted to the ensemble of Numamta Yup'ik Eskimo Dancers from near Anchorage and to Gina Pacaldo's Danza ChicanIndia. The second weekend featured La Pista 4, a quartet of performers from Argentina.

The contrast between the Eskimos and the Argentinians underscores the difficulties involved when presenting traditional or tribal material in the proscenium stage setting. Dancers exist in translating an outdoor tribal circle ritual even when the translation occurs in an intimate setting like the Laney College auditorium.

The nature of the three-sided performance box, i.e. the proscenium stage, invites adaptation and, to an extent, constriction. Unless the stage possesses revolving machinery or traveling devices, it is virtually impossible for a group to convey their natural style of movement.

The dilemma seemed strongest in the opening rituals and dances of Gina Pacaldo's Danza ChicanIndia. Certainly by any standards, Pacaldo is gifted and imaginative. Visually she is a beauty by any cultural standard.

There were genuine moments

like the opening salutation to the four directions, a blessing song from the Waukumini Tribe in the central San Joaquin Valley.

A keening mourning song by Nilak Butler possessed a vocal strength that absolutely gave me shivers down my spine. The spirit masks of Zarco Guerrero also provided a feeling of gravity and ritual.

Each element seemed self-contained. Transitions between the various traditions of Indian and Chicano worlds remained more disparate than cohesive.

This episodic quality certainly is an accurate replay of Southwestern and Central American history. But I wonder whether a fragmented interpretation of the record is the most efficacious means to present this rich, elusive, ritual-oriented heritage.

Despite these qualifications, I can assert that Pacaldo managed to keep her material infused with a spirit beyond cultural stereotypes. At no time did I feel I was watching anthropological stereotypes.

More successful in their presentation were the Numamta Yup'ik Eskimo Dancers. Their material arises from one tradition, the ensemble was five in number and they obviously are longtime associates, their movement style one they grew up with.

As one might guess, in the Arctic Circle the object is to keep warm and keep the blood circulating. The torso and moving arms are the emphasis, undulating, rising, falling, exploring horizontal reaches from the stable fulcrum of the body seated or squatting. Movement of the legs is largely restricted to the functional and, upon occasion, stamping.

But what gentle, shrewd and humorous qualities this dancing possessed. The dances were neatly divided into practical categories: entrance dance, old compositions



Gina Pacaldo of Danza ChicanIndia

that pertain to everyday existence, old spiritual movements, contact with the Western world, and just-for-the-fun-of-it songs.

One immediately was kindled by the explanations and smiled at the fun poked at the literacy efforts of the white man. Of particular charm were the fans employed — white feathers delicately and sparsely connected, more magical wand than fan.

Yet another amazement was the

drum — a mere skin stretched on a hoop but providing the necessary rhythmic support for the quality of the movement.

La Pista 4 brought a stark cultural contrast the next weekend. I expected the group to be tailored to the proscenium arch and to be somewhat more European in their frame of reference. But nothing prepared me for one of the most unusual, eerie ensembles I have experienced.

Performance takes audience to Japan

By Don McConnell

One of the more charming musical evenings of recent memory was presented Saturday at Fort Mason's Cowell Theater. (The program will be repeated this Friday at the Julia Morgan Theater in Berkeley.)

The artist was Yoshi Ichige in a recital called "Longing for Ancient Japan," which was also the title of the song cycle, composed by the artist, that occupied the second half of the program.

Ichige's advance publicity was a bit misleading. It stresses the combining of Eastern and Western musical traditions in her work, as well as her popularity in Vienna, and it led me to expect ("fear" might be the better word) a pastiche of kabuki and Schoenberg.

In fact, the combining of cultures is one that took place generations ago in Japan, consisting of adapting traditional Japanese music just enough so that it can be performed on Western instruments — in this case, the grand piano.

The other adaptation, and it was a welcome one, was that Ichige possesses a ravishing soprano of the sort Western audiences expect from recitalists (and which is not valued in traditional Japanese singing).

But in general, the performances were thoroughly Japanese. Ichige wore a series of kimonos, simple, more modern ones for the first half, an elaborate ancient court kimono with long train for the second half.

Also she acted out the songs in ways that used traditional theatrical gestures and poses, although the evening overall was one of song rather than dance.

Ichige's program contained three types of music. Most of the first half was devoted to folk songs. In Western terms, these were less the equivalent of Joan Baez and more like the folk songs

or spirituals that might occupy second half of an art song recital.

The accompaniments, skillfully by Mami Tanaka, strived very hard to mimic — with plenty of glissandos — tremolos.

At other times, the pianist treated other instruments, notably one song that ends with the ringing of a huge temple bell. To seem to be simply mashing lowest notes on the keyboard, she produced a cleaner result than that implies.

The first part began and with the most unusual musical evening — recorded compositions by Ichige to she added a fine vocal track. In the first "Sunset Glow," she recorded eight vocal tracks as well as almost overwhelming instrumental background, all of which seemed to be produced by electronic synthesizer.

Ichige's taste for rafter-organ tones and bold stage presence. (She is, however, a very lovely woman, pleasure to watch whether portraying a child at play or an emperor surveying his realm.)

Her song cycle, "Longing for Ancient Japan," was much to what one hears in recordings of traditional Japanese music. I believe most of that music is not the 17th or 18th century, while Ichige sought to evoke a courtly era 500 years earlier, managed very effectively to port her audience into the present, whatever the era.

There were several encore of which, "The Happy Birds," involved a stunning technique of very rapidly repeated notes. This too was sung to a shakuhachi flute. The song echoed her singing, or tried to, couldn't come close to her virtuosity.

Restaurant Guide

EAST BAY DINING

By Michael S. Holman

MANDARIN VILLA

Solano Avenue's newest addition has already garnered many followers from the surrounding neighborhood, avenue merchants UC-Berkeley. The attractive double dining rooms (smoking and non-smoking) offer comfortable seating at glass-topped tables amidst plants and soft music.

My lunch began with delicately seasoned pot stickers and the flaming combination plate of fried prawns, spareribs, fish, fried clams and spring rolls. The presentation was inventive and the freshness of the ingredients was apparent on the first bite.

My entree of hot-and-spicy shrimp with garlic sauce is one of the chef's specialties prepared by Chef Sam, who formerly worked his way up at the Beijing Restaurant on Irving Street in San Francisco. This receives an A+ in taste and presentation, and there was enough left over for another meal.

The restaurant also offers selections of poultry, pork, beef and lamb dishes that are worth the trip across town. Especially tasty were the hot and spicy curried lamb served with onions, bell peppers and sauce.

My next meal will include the Ocean Party seafood combination cooked on an iron platter and the hot and spicy eggplant in garlic sauce. The Mandarin Villa offers over 25 daily luncheons all served with soup, appetizer and steamed rice either white or brown. These include mixed vegetables with tofu, shrimp with cashew nuts, mond chicken, sweet-and-sour prawns and hot-and-spicy garlic-fried eggplant.

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think of the hot dog as a companionable beastie, blithe in pairs or in teams, salaciously snuggled into packs of six, the proud wiener boasts of its gregarious heritage and finds serenity in the comely camaraderie of its cloned colleagues. What irony it is for the felicitous frank, a companionable little committed to the concept of a general plurality, to play so humble a yet honorable a role in the cosmic food chain and, for the consummate act, that selfless submission to someone's sausage celebration, even when the stalwart dog holds true to its caninist code, longing that its final hour be spent in glorious joint venture, its simple wish is that in the closing moments it will find comfort among convivial comrades, bring your friends... save a sausage the ache of terminal isolation.

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In the Game
By Peter Mentor

Tough training, tough competing, tough to give up

Competitor can't let decathlon go

By Matt Johanson

This story is part of a continuing series profiling local contenders for the 1992 Olympic Games.

watching the Olympic figure skating competition is not something some would admit, but I feel it is the essence of beauty and grace that only the Olympics can provide. And yes, I watch it.

Remember back to the 1988 Olympics when Debbie Thomas was going up against Katarina Witt. I was working at a late-night diner and supplementing my newspaper income. Work started right around the end of the long program, but there was no way I was going to the finals. I brought in our little black-and-white TV and set it near the register.

It was worth it. Thomas put in a performance, her athletic beauty coming through above anything else. Witt was less athletic and a bit more graceful. Thomas chose grace over athleticism. Witt won the gold.

It didn't matter who won, because excitement and the anxiety of being for the judges and seeing the results of the skaters was as good as it would have loved to see the American Thomas beat it over German Witt, but that's the way it was in the Olympics.

Thomas has since faded into oblivion. Not so for the gold medal. It seems the television and advertising people are doing their best to exploit Witt for all she's worth. Even the CBS people had a strange floor-to-ceiling angle interview during the year this year to glorify her.

This year I watched the short program and was amazed at the skillfulness of Fremont's Kristi Yamaguchi, Japan's Midori Ito, Massachusetts' Nancy Kerrigan and California's Tonya Harding. Skating is one sport where all the skill is on the individual to move. Behind the scenes, of course, there are parents, photographers, coaches and others. But when it comes down to the skater, the skater is there at the time to take all the glamour, success and failure depending on how routine comes off.

Yamaguchi was in first place after the first two days and her best competition, Ito, was in the finals. Yamaguchi had to first in the long program. Her performance would set the tone for the skaters and she hoped her judges were not being too critical with their scores. Yamaguchi's good standing and skill of excellence gave her the edge.

She fell and I thought that was it. Every other skater had to pull off a perfect routine to the gold medal was open. The skater is technically the best in the world right now, but the time to perform perfectly was over. Kerrigan brought the bronze. It wasn't the best I have ever seen, but it was wonderful. Whether or not Yamaguchi will turn pro is up in the air. The Olympic gold could be millions to her, but for skating she was it was her dazzling performance during the Games that was priceless.

pay off. Born in Berkeley, Goodell is one of the leading "decathletes" in the nation and the world, and has one of the Bay Area's best chances to winning a medal in the 1992 Olympic Games.

Bart Goodell is hooked.

Like most addicts, he never planned to get hooked when he started; certainly no one knew where it would lead when he began high jumping into a mound of sawdust in the fifth grade. But one thing led to another in high school, he learned to sprint, hurdle, long jump and throw the discus. At the College of Redwoods he picked up the shotput, javelin, pole vault, 1,500 meters and, ultimately, the decathlon.

"The decathlon is my obsession, my addiction, my drug..." said Goodell, 30. "The way other people are addicted to drugs — alcohol, cocaine — doesn't even compare to the addiction I have for the decathlon."

The decathlon is in many ways the toughest event in track and field because it combines 10 events in one. For the last 10 years, Goodell has done little else; for the last three years he's lived in his '71 Volkswagen van to save money so he won't have to work as much while he trains.

But his addiction has started to

run. "He's stronger, training better, running faster, jumping higher and throwing farther than he ever has before," said Harry Marra, coach of the USA/VISA Decathlon Team, who has trained Goodell for eight years. "He's 30 years old and still setting personal records; that should tell you something."

Goodell has always been a multi-talented athlete. In addition to track and field, he played football, basketball and baseball in high school. When he graduated in 1979, Goodell received a football scholarship to the University of Nevada at Reno, though he quickly learned he didn't like the atmosphere of playing on a big-time collegiate football team.

"It was very tense, very high pressure," Goodell said. "I didn't like the attitude at all. Even in practice I was supposed to knock guys on their ass. It became a business, and that made sports very un-fun for me."

Goodell left after one year and entered the College of the Red-

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Albany wrestlers end season fourth in DFAL

Five wrestlers from Albany High will travel to the North Coast Section Tournament this weekend at Sonoma State University. They are Brian Benefield, Tim Zisman, Emmie Davis, Jesse Quay and Dan Collier came in fourth.

Junior varsity winners were Danny Gross (103 pounds), Big Supiya (112 pounds) and Andrew St. Lawrence (130 pounds). Oscar Fong and Ricardo Botello earned seconds, and Jeff Trenery took fourth place.

Zisman won the league champi-

onship at 119 pounds with a 6-0 win over Northgate. Benefield, Davis, Quay and Wanlin took third in their divisions; Mike Brady, Frank Zhang and Dan Collier came in fourth.

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Sports alumni event set at St. Mary's College High

The fourth annual Saint Mary's College High School Alumni Sports Hall of Fame Dinner and Awards Night will be held on Saturday, March 7, at the Shea Center on Campus.

No-host cocktails will be served from 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$35 per person, \$65 per couple. Sponsors of tables of eight for \$400 will be listed in the dinner program and the alumni magazine.

For reservations call Ann Damaschino, Saint Mary's development director, at 559-6227.

The following outstanding athletes and coaches will be inducted into the 1991-92 Hall of Fame: Carl Gerner, class of 1930; Peter Visentini, class of 1936; Dave Gray, class of 1944; Ernest Cecaci, class of 1948; Thomas Paich, class of 1949; Daniel "Sam" Curtin, class of 1945; Dan Shaughnessy, class of 1953; John Llamas, class of 1971; Eugene Pisenti, coach; and Hugh Louderback, coach. A posthumous award will be presented in honor of Reggie Kellum, class of 1963.

Proceeds from the Hall of Fame dinner will benefit Saint Mary's College High School.

ROUNDUP

Berkeley Girls' Basketball

Bambi Bowlin scored 24 points and Lynda Robinson added 16 in Berkeley's 66-36 win against Carondelet on Tuesday.

In their final home game, the Yellowjackets jumped to a 20-6 lead after one quarter and went on to lead by 18 at the half.

Berkeley held Carondelet to 16 points in the second half for the easy win.

The Yellowjackets climbed to 12-1 in the Bay Valley League, 16-9 overall with their eighth straight win.

Berkeley won 75-42 against Clayton Valley last Friday. The victory avenged the Yellowjackets' only league loss.

Berkeley took a 15-11 lead in the first quarter and bounced it up to 14 by the half at 38-24. The Yellowjackets continued their offensive barrage with a 22-13 run in the third and a 15-5 run in the fourth to take back the loss from earlier in the

St. Mary's Girls' Basketball

Alexis Hunter led Berkeley with 17 points and Lynda Robinson followed with 16 points, nine rebounds six assists and four steals. Tammy Holmes chipped in 11 and Bambi Bowlin added 10. Nicole McAllister scored a game-high 23 points for Clayton Valley (6-6), but her teammates didn't back her up enough to beat Berkeley.

Berkeley travels to El Cerrito tomorrow for the regular season finale.

St. Mary's Basketball

An 82-60 win over Kennedy pushed the Panthers to 16-10 in the East Shore Athletic League, 16-10 overall before playing at St. Joseph on Wednesday in the league semifinal (see story). John Page and Ramon Brown paced the Panthers with 12 points each.

Berkeley Boys' Basketball

The Berkeley boys lost to De La Salle



Bart Goodell says he's obsessed with the decathlon

David Gurinick

Cougars capture playoff spot

By Chris Greene

ALBANY — The Albany High boys basketball team put together a strong finishing kick to its league schedule and with its effort came a playoff appearance in the East Shore Athletic League.

The Cougars, after starting up the season 0-5, qualified for the ESAL playoffs with a pair of victories during the final week against two Richmond teams.

The Cougars first faced a match-up with Kennedy at the Cogardome, and came away with a 77-59 win over the Eagles. The win put Albany in the catbird seat for one of the two playoff spots the Shore Division had to offer.

To finish off the schedule, Albany had a season finale against

Salesian High in Richmond. The Cougars were trying to avenge an earlier loss to the Chiefs and gain momentum heading into the playoffs.

The game came down to the final seconds.

Albany fought back from a 7-point halftime deficit to trail 53-51 with just under a minute remaining. Clutch shot number one came from guard Alex Protzel.

Protzel entered the game and immediately buried a bank shot from 15 feet away to tie the score at 53-53 with 48 seconds left. Salesian again grabbed the lead for one of the two playoff spots the Shore Division had to offer.

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Salesian, who had scored

all 11 of his points in the second half, made it 13 in the half with a jump hook to retie the score at 55 all. The Chiefs missed a shot at the other end and Albany's Ying Bo Chen grabbed the rebound with 12 seconds left and threw the ball out of bounds.

The miscue gave Salesian another shot at the win but the Chiefs once again couldn't get the shot to go. With just under six seconds left, Chen got the ball to Marty Taylor and Taylor seemed to stop time in his tracks.

Taylor flew down the court in the shortest two seconds in the history of basketball. He drove through the Chiefs to a finger roll layup with 2.6 seconds left to give

See COUGAR, page 12

Gauchos get it together to win

By Jeff Keyser

EL CERRITO — The Gaucho boys struggled to a 50-37 basketball win over visiting Antioch last week. Despite the large margin they won by, the Gauchos had trouble through most of the game. They struggled with their shots, and normal mainstay Curtis Porter, who had been scoring in the high 20s and low 30s, finished the game with only 14.

During most of the first half El Cerrito was trailing the visitors, but it stiffened its defense in the last minutes of the second quarter

and took a lead, 22-19. That was the first lead for the Gauchos since the mid-way point of the first quarter, but they would not be able to hold on to it long.

Antioch fought back, and the two teams sparred evenly through the third, neither really able to pull away from the other. El Cerrito's offense was sputtering, but they made up the difference defensively. They finished the quarter up by one, 28-27.

Finding the fourth quarter was upon them, both teams began to turn up the heat a bit. El Cerrito's

strong defense was the key early in the quarter, as they forced several turnovers that gave a 34-29 lead. They were not able to hold it. However, Antioch applied more pressure, and El Cerrito cracked, getting the visitors back to within one.

That turned out to be Antioch's last hurrah, however. El Cerrito, with the game on the line, turned up the pressure one more notch on its defense and dominated the rest of the game, hitting its shots with a consistency it could not find earlier in the match-up.

The game was tied at 55 when Marty Taylor stole the ball and won the game with a lay-up for the win. The Chieftains had one last chance with a three-pointer, but it missed and Albany escaped with the win.

The Cougars had a 16-11 lead after the first quarter, but Salesian erupted with 19 points and shut the Cougars down to seven for a 30-23 lead at the break.

Albany cut the lead to five after three quarters and the two teams battled through the final eight minutes until the final seconds decided it.

Taylor led the Cougars with 17 points and Danny Coen added 14 for Albany. The victory gave the Cougars a 77 record in the East Shore Athletic League, 15-11 overall.

On Tuesday and fell to 8-4 in the Bay Valley League, 14-10 overall. The Yellowjackets had to default one game earlier in the season because the team went over the limit of games set by the North Coast Conference.

Albany Girls' Basketball

The Cougars had little trouble with Salesian on Friday, 51-43, beating the Chieftains 8-48 on Friday.

Kim Roundtree led all scorers with 20 points and Heather Harden was right behind with 19 points. The Cougars raised their record to 4-10 in the East Shore Athletic League, 5-17 overall with one week remaining.

El Cerrito Boys' Basketball

The Cougars lost on Tuesday 74-73 to Carondelet.

Pinole Valley

Alameda (18-8) on Wednesday.

Albany came into post season on a roll.

A fantastic finish last Friday helped the

Cougars steal away a 57-55 win over Salesian to end the season on the plus side.

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St. Mary's draws tough playoff berth in power league

By Peter Mentor

Being among the elite in a division is usually an asset, but for St. Mary's it could mean a tough start in the league playoffs.

The Panthers are in the Power Division of the East Shore Athletic League and were scheduled to

play powerhouse St. Joseph in the opening round last night in Alameda.

The ESAL Power Division is made up of the old Catholic Athletic League teams. St. Mary's, St. Joseph and Bishop O'Dowd, all members of the now-defunct CAL, make up the three teams in

the upper half of the ESAL. Each is classified as a Division I school by the North Coast Section, which governs most of Northern California except for the Oakland Athletic League schools.

All the ESAL coaches had a meeting and decided 8-3 to divide the playoffs into two parts, with

the lower division teams playing in their own playoffs. The upper division teams were left to fight it out among themselves who wins that part of the league. The three dissenting opinions for a league split in post-season play came from the Panthers, Pilots and Dragons, but the lower half had the

majority to secede.

The Panthers, by virtue of their 9-5 league, 16-10 overall record did not have the option of a first-round bye.

St. Joseph and Bishop O'Dowd finished tied for first place with identical 14-1 league, 23-3 overall records. They had to flip a coin to decide who would watch the semifinals and who would play in them against St. Mary's.

The Pilots lost the toss. During the regular season the Panthers played O'Dowd and St. Joseph once and lost both games.

St. Mary's had to play O'Dowd in the opening league game on Jan. 7. The Panthers came into the game with a 7-5 pre-season record, but they were also without starters Jon Page and Abby Hussein. The result was a 64-40 loss to the Dragons at Chabot College in Hayward. The game against the Pilots went a little better, but not much. St. Joseph won 71-53.

Page, a 6-foot-3 junior center is a catalyst for the team and his return was a big boost to the Panthers' attack. He's the leading scorer and leading rebounder in the nine games he's played this season.

Hussein, a sophomore, stands one-half inch shorter and helps out on the height factor. He sprained his ankle the first five seconds of the Kennedy game last week.

Injuries have been a problem

and they continue to haunt team. Frank Knight came back but is still ailing from a strained knee. A freshman guard, is one of the better players on the team.

It didn't really matter which team the Panthers got in the first game, a semifinal between either of the league's colossi O'Dowd and St. Joseph have a league loss and that was to other.

The Dragons beat the Pilots 59-57 in their first meeting at Oakland Coliseum Arena. The Pilots won the second meeting when All-American Jason Chen scored 21 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter to rally St. Joseph to victory at Cal State Hayward.

That was much the same last year, however, when Mary's pulled off a 55-54 win, a pair of free throws by Irvin Hock knock O'Dowd off the court. The Dragons in overtime at Oakland Coliseum Arena.

Panthers went on to the final, lost 77-67 to eventual Division state champion St. Joseph at State Hayward.

Win or lose in the playoffs, a good showing by Mary's should give them a chance at the North Coast Section playoffs where the Panthers failed to make it to the final year before losing to eventual champions St. Joseph.

Cougar

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Albany the lead 57-55.

It wasn't over yet.

Salesian had one final chance and it came from Madison Burfict. Burfict eyed an open 3-pointer from the corner of the court. With Danny Coen lunging at him, Burfict threw up a near perfect try that hit off the rim at the buzzer and the Cougars had the win.

"I thought the last shot was going in," said Albany coach Doug Kagawa. "He had a good look at it but luckily it just hit off the rim. Our kids get all the credit to come back after a bad first half."

The Cougars shot a miserable

10-for-43 in the first half, but managed to stay within 7 heading into the third quarter. The third period was even but the fourth belonged to the Cougars.

Albany outscored Salesian 19-12 in the quarter behind 9 points by Kajiwara. Taylor ended the game with 17 points, while Coen added 14 and Kajiwara 13. Chen added nine rebounds and Kajiwara had five assists and three steals.

In Albany's earlier victory over Kennedy, Coen took the honors, scoring 24 points while Kajiwara scored a season high 18 points. Taylor had 15 points in just over a half but left in the second half with

five fouls.

The Cougars needed a strong fourth quarter to register the win in the battle of 5-7 teams. Albany outscored Kennedy 22-11 in the final eight minutes to seal the win.

The Cougars finished the league schedule with a 7-7 ESAL record. After St. Mary's, St. Joseph and Bishop O'Dowd leave for their own super powers playoff, the Cougars record was good enough for first place in the powerhouse division.

The Cougars took on second placed Alameda yesterday with the winner playing at the Oakland Coliseum tomorrow at 4:30.

Albany Rec hosts drop-in-games

Albany Recreation and Community Services Department is offering a drop-in basketball program every Tuesday night at Albany High School gym from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. starting March 18 and ending on May 26.

The Recreation Department has available 30 prepaid gym cards at a cost of \$25. Without a card, the cost is \$2 per person per evening, but gym space is limited to the first 30 players.

Open gym basketball is available to men and women, 18 years and older.

Goodell

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woods in the fall of 1981. He continued playing football and "started having a little bit of fun," even though the team went 2-8 and Goodell dislocated his shoulder in the third game and did not play again that season.

He was healed by track season that spring, though, when Goodell first began his decathlon training.

"I told the coach what I wanted to do, and for the last 10 years there's been no deviation from track and the decathlon. There are doubts sometimes; like when I'm running the 1,500 I sometimes say to myself, 'Holy Toledo, this is a long ways!' But deep down I know I want to keep it up."

Before Goodell could compete in the decathlon, he has to learn all the events. He didn't know how to shotput, still got dizzy when he spun around to throw the discus and didn't have the endurance to run the 1,500 until he got fifth place in the conference that year with 6,919 points.

After another football season — in which he was chosen for the All-American team — Goodell received scholarship offers from around the country but opted to continue his decathlon training to qualify for the 1984 Olympic Trials. It was a lucky break for the College of the Redwoods' track

team as Goodell carried the program the entire 1983 season, but after time competing in five to six events per meet took its toll.

"I was sick and overtrained much of the time — I was just dead. Around the conference championships, I did 24 events in eight days. I went to the state meet a week later and I was still dead. I didn't qualify for trials, so I took a month off and started in again."

Goodell returned to the Bay Area to train with Marra in October 1984. Marra, an Olympic coach and head track coach of San Francisco State University, specializes in the decathlon. Goodell had never had a decathlon coach to that point, and under Marra's direction he improved his 1,500 meters from the five minute range to 4:34 in 1985, and won the Canadian National Championships in 1987.

Goodell led the world for a time in 1988 with his score of 8,109 points that won the University of California, Santa Barbara Late Afternoon Decathlon. But at the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials that summer, Goodell literally and figuratively hit stormy weather.

"If it'd been sunny, I may have won the trials. But it rained (at one point, six inches in six hours) and I let that affect me too much." After

the 100 meters and the long jump, Goodell was in 21st place. He climbed as high as fourth with strong performances in the shotput and high jump, but dropped to fifth after the 1,500, two places away from a trip to the Games. With four years to go before his next chance, Goodell thought he'd hang it up.

"I was frustrated, uninspired. I decided I couldn't handle the stress. But I hadn't — and haven't — done what I want to do."

So Goodell joined Marra's San Francisco State University track team instead, and for two years was the power of the Northern California Athletic Conference. In the 1989 and 1990 championship meets, Goodell won javelin, ran for two winning relay teams, won the discus twice and placed in a host of other events.

Goodell made the All-American team in the discus and high hurdles, and was the only athlete ever chosen twice as the NCAC Track and Field Most Valuable Performer.

"I took advantage of the young kids," Goodell said.

Five months away from the trials, Goodell has never looked ready to compete; largely because of his new attitude, he believes.

"I used to put way to much

pressure on myself. Now, I'm having fun instead of thinking so much. I feel like I can make the team and win the gold medal if I utilize all the energy inside me.

"If I don't win, I won't die, but I'll give it a hell of a try. I think that'll be enough. I wouldn't even be adverse to training to '96. I'm enjoying the workouts and the running. I've always dreamed of running smooth and powerful, like a horse. I'm still rough, but I'm getting closer to it."

Goodell scored 7,766 in a practice decathlon last November, which would already qualify him for the trials this June had it been an official meet. His first official decathlon of 1992 will be at San Francisco State in March, where he expects to beat that score and qualify easily.

"Harry thinks I can score at least 8,500, and I have to agree, but I don't want to set that as my goal because, frankly, I don't think that's high enough. I don't want to premeditate anything. Why visualize 8,500? I'm capable of a lot more. I'd rather just shoot for perfection."

If you know someone who is trying to qualify for the 1992 Olympic Games, contact the Berkeley Voice.

Softball for adults organizing

Packets are available for the City of Albany's Spring League Adult Softball program. Interested parties can pick up a packet at the Recreation and Community Service Department on the corner of Marin and Masonic (958 Masonic).

Packets will be accepted starting March 2, and registration is by team only. The cost is \$300 per resident team and League play will consist of a single round plus single elimination play-offs.

League play will start on April 6, and all games will be played at the Albany Middle School Field. Registration packets must be completed and filed at the Recreation Office by March 27. The emphasis of the league is the recreational elements that include the fun, enjoyment, good sportsmanship and friendships that are developed.

For more information call the Recreation and Community Service Department at 524-9283.

Gaucho netters outsized by team from De La Salle

By Jeff Keyser

EL CERRITO — The Gauchos, a very powerful, athletic team, met their match in power and athleticism last Thursday against De La Salle. De La Salle was just a little bigger, and they were able to muscle their way through El Cerrito 62-48.

The game was actually very close throughout, with El Cerrito even leading by five through the first quarter, but slowly De La Salle's size began to put too much pressure on El Cerrito. The Gauchos weren't able to force their way inside or compete well for rebounds, while De La Salle was able to muscle its way to the basket.

"They were just bigger than us. You can talk all you want about

making contact, but they (the Gauchos) just weren't making the contact," said Gaucho coach Chris Huber.

El Cerrito, 8-4 in league and 16-8 overall, started out well, playing consistently and hitting with almost every shot.

El Cerrito began to miss its outside shot as the second quarter began, however, and the game began to turn around. De La Salle got an extra basket here, an extra free throw there and by the end of the half they had fashioned a 4-point lead, 22-26.

De La Salle is a very good team," Huber said. "Their multiple defenses gave us some problems, and they gave us some trouble on the boards. They (De La Salle) played well."

Eighth-grader sets basketball mark

By Peter Mentor

Dumaurier Wynne is a winner even if his team came up short last Sunday.

The 14-year-old eighth-grader from St. John's Elementary School in El Cerrito scored 42 points in a semifinal game against

St. Augustine of Pleasanton to break the single-game scoring record for the CYO league.

Wynne, a 5-foot-11 point guard, hit his first 10 shots of the game on his way to breaking the 40-point record set in 1980 by Terry Yancy of St. Leander of San Leandro.

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substantial upgrading in all facets of the Stealth models. Pace for pace the R/T version runs head to head with the Porsche 928 but its pricing puts it at about a third the cost of the Porsche, on par with the Corvette and the Nissan 300ZX.

The Stealth's competition comes from the Nissan 300ZX and the Porsche 928 as these vehicles are its true blood brothers with their 2+2 seating.

It's difficult to draw a significant comparison between the three, although the Porsche is about triple the price, but it is style and then price that becomes a major factor deciding in what one buys out of this trio.

The Stealth's roots lie in a long-term cooperative venture with Mitsubishi. Mostly Chrysler buys Mitsubishi vehicles and attaches Chrysler name tags. The Stealth project is different. Chrysler styled the body and Mitsubishi designed and manufactured the interior and mechanicals.

The Stealth comes in four models, ranging from \$17,000 for the base three door to \$32,000 for the loaded R/T Turbo. All, I am delighted to say, have driver's side air-bags.

The base model runs a front drive 164 horsepower V6 which does a fine job, offering an EPA gas mileage figure of 18-24 city/highway. Our R/T with its twin turbos, intercoolers, multi-cam, four valve V6 did about fifteen percent less in mixed

city/highway driving.

All the Stealth models use the same base 3.0 liter V6 engine. The base model has 164 horsepower while the upgraded ES version offers the punch of turbo with 222 horses. While the handling of the two wheel drive Stealths is not as sticky as the R/T, they offer impressive handling for their size, weight and class.

My favorite of "the fleet" is the R/T version. With 300 horsepower on tap, four wheel drive, four wheel steering and ABS brakes, all its promises come true.

I found the Stealth relaxing and rather social. It provides front seat passengers with more comfort than most sports cars ever pretend to offer. However, the rear 2+2 seating arrangement is limited to carrying rather small children or to short trips for adults, as there is almost no leg room with the front seats comfortably extended. With four adults travelling together, the Stealth seating capacity is overstuffed and the back seats especially become a traveling contor-



Prices start at less than \$18,000 for the basic model to \$32,000 for the RT.

tionist's show.

The R/T's body hugging front seating I found necessary, as the Stealth can generate substantial "g" forces in a turn and its massive four wheel disc brake package with ABS can slam the Stealth back down "to ground zero" with eye popping force. The brakes are huge, 11.6 inch diameter discs on the front and 11.1 inch discs on the rear.

The tire and wheel combination on the R/T is also hi-tech. It uses 17 inch x 8.5 inch alloy wheels capped with P245/45ZR17s. These large diameter super wide,

steel belted radials are the latest in low profile ZR tires and are rated for speeds over 150 mph. The low profile structure means that they don't offer much in the way of sidewall flex but can keep a meaty grip on the pavement surface through a corner or under braking.

Part of the handling package is also four wheel hydraulic steering, which comes into play over 30 mph. It is standard on the R/T Turbo Stealth. This system gives the Stealth better high speed stability and is especially noticeable on the freeway, when only a slight input of steering effort is required

to move from lane to lane.

Three hundred horsepower, all wheel drive adhesion, excellent build quality, ABS brakes and four wheel steering make the Stealth one of the most advanced vehicles in its class. Its price is also stunningly attractive for its performance.

This wild-looking, high performing sports coupe offers unbelievable "bang for the buck" in its R/T dress. Even down to the base version it is still a satisfying drive, which not only keeps a strong grip on terra firma but does it with style, comfort and safety — without breaking the bank. ■

Parking controls on the agenda for local BART lots

A BART committee is recommending that parking controls be implemented at up to seven stations in order to free up more spaces for BART patrons.

According to the report, there was a 22 percent increase in parking availability during the experiment with an electronic parking control system between Oct. 24 and Jan. 24.

Before the experiment, the lot's 889 spaces were normally filled by 8 a.m.

But during the test, between 150 and 200 spaces were still available at 8 a.m., according to the report.

When the experiment ended, the lot again filled up by 8 a.m. and the number of roundtrips from the Rockridge station declined by about 150 daily, representing an

annual revenue loss of about \$65,000.

In addition to the Rockridge station, parking controls are under consideration at the Lafayette, Walnut Creek, Orinda, North Berkeley, Lake Merritt and El Cerrito Del Norte stations.

Accidents require info exchange

All drivers involved in an accident are now required by law to exchange evidence of financial responsibility and current residence address as well as vehicle registration and driver license information.

Failure to provide such information is punishable by a fine of up

to \$1,000 and six months in jail.

The financial responsibility and current residence requirement became law in the late 1991, according to the California Department of Motor Vehicles. They will be included in DMV's spring-issue California Driver Handbook expected to be released in April.

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